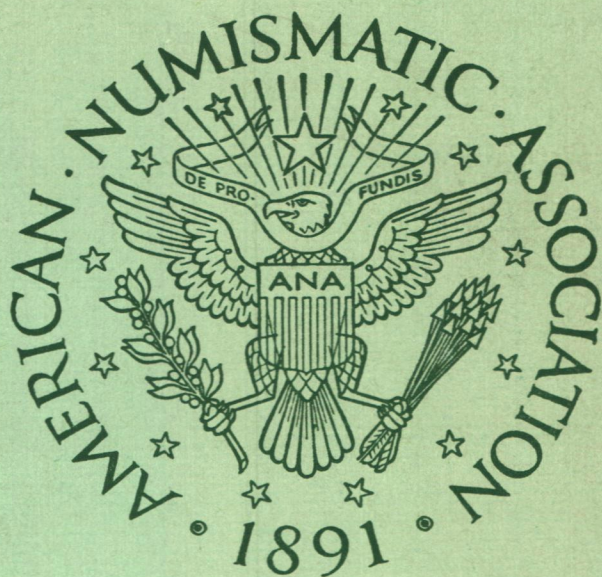


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JOSEPH WRIGHT, FIRST DRAUGHTSMAN AND DIE-SINKER TO THE UNITED STATES MINT

By Georgia S. Chamberlain, Alexandria, Va.

Joseph Wright, first engraver for the United States Mint, might have grown in strength as medalist, coin-designer and die-sinker if he had not died in the yellow fever epidemic of Philadelphia in September of 1793. He had already had a successful career as a portrait painter. That his mind was turning toward the requirements of his new office is shown in his will drawn up September 11, 1793, just before his death, in which he calls himself, "miniature painter and engraver."

Wright had so far distinguished himself as a portrait painter that he had reached the height of his art in America, in that he was a favored limner of Gen. George Washington himself. His portraits of General and Mrs. Washington, John Jay, Franklin and of his own family have character and strength. In fact, Dunlap became discouraged comparing his own with Wright's ability as a portrait painter as he tells us in his *History of the Arts of Design in the United States*: "I felt my own ignorance, and felt the superiority of Joseph Wright, who was my next door neighbor, and painting with little success as to emolument."

Joseph Wright's mother, Patience Lovell Wright, whose wax portraits mark the start of American sculpture, according to Lorado Taft, somewhat overshadows his fame as she perhaps somewhat dominated him in his youth. Born of Quaker parents, she lived with her husband, Joseph Wright, Sr., in Bordentown, N. J., where her son was born on July 16, 1756. After the death of her husband she successfully supported her family of two daughters and her son by her wax portrait sculptures. She went on to London after a fire in her waxworks in Boston, to find fame and fortune in the court of George III. She was an ardent American patriot during the Revolution and helped the cause by passing on information to Franklin. She enabled her son to obtain lessons from Benjamin West and from the English artist, Hoppner, who married one of her daughters. When her son went to Paris to study, she recommended him to the care of Franklin.

That Joseph Wright had the laziness of some artistic temperaments is brought out by a letter Dunlap relates from Mrs. Hoppner to her mother written in 1781: "(Mrs. Wright) was then in Paris, and very successful in her wax modelling, she requests her not to write to Joseph in such style as will encourage him to think she will make a fortune for him; for she says, Joe is inclined enough already to be idle, and that he receives the money from the wax-work exhibition and spends it at pleasure."

In October of 1782, supplied with letters of introduction, Joseph Wright sailed for America in the ship *Argo* which was shipwrecked. In August of 1783 he painted portraits and made plastic likenesses of Washington at his headquarters at Rocky Hill near Princeton. That Washington himself had to spur on the dreamy artist to complete his work is evident in a letter Washington wrote to Robert Morris about a portrait of himself which Washington had commissioned Wright to make

for the Comte de Solm's gallery of military geniuses. Washington asked Morris to tell Wright to hurry "as he is said to be a little lazy. . . . By promise it was to have been done in 5 or 6 weeks from the time I left Philadelphia, near four of which have expired." Washington wrote to Wright the same day "not to be deficient in point of execution."

Yet Dunlap describes Wright's artistic enthusiasm and energy when one day he chanced to see a handsome elderly patriarch with flowing grey beard, seated at a window of his New York home. Wright knocked on the door, was admitted, "introduced himself to the family and begged the old gentleman (Mr. Simpson) to sit for his portrait, expressing his admiration of his picturesque appearance." Dunlap's delight with the finished result proves Wright could work with dispatch on an unofficial portrait of his own choosing.

To numismatists, Dunlap's most pertinent words are in a footnote of his account of Wright: "I have before me a cent made by Mr. Wright and dated 1792. It represents an eagle standing on the half of a globe, and holding in his beak a shield with the thirteen stripes. The reverse has been drawn on the same piece of paper and afterwards cut out."

The reverse of the cent, Number 12 in *United States Pattern, Trial and Experimental Pieces* by Edgar H. Woodin somewhat resembles this description. The obverse, female bust to the right, is dated 1792.

Joseph Wright's interesting etching of Washington's profile of 1790, probably the first etching made by an American painter, was taken from life. The original, according to tradition, was sketched as Washington sat at worship in a neighboring pew in St. Paul's Church in New York, and had a deep influence on early American design. Beside the copies of the etching, it was also published in the March number of the *Massachusetts Magazine* in 1791 and was considered an excellent portrait of Washington. A number of engravings, medals, and sculptures were derived from this portrait.

W. S. Baker in his *Medallic Portraits of Washington* says that Samuel Brooks, goldsmith and seal cutter of Philadelphia in 1790, engraved the "Manly Medal," Nos. 61 and 62 in his book, "in all probability from a model furnished by Joseph Wright." Possibly Brooks worked crudely from Wright's etching. The medals described in Nos. 10 (by Twigg) and 5 and 6 (by Wyon) in *The Early Medals of Washington, 1776-1834*, compiled and published by Wayte Raymond, Inc. are the closest to Wright's etching of the early medals of Washington.

An advertisement listed in Series Two, pages 70 and 71 of Alfred Coxe Prime's *The Arts and Crafts in Philadelphia, Maryland and South Carolina, 1786-1800*, The Walpole Society, 1932, throws some light on the Manly medal of Washington. The advertisement from the *Federal Gazette*, Mar. 20, 1790, reads as follows:

"We have the pleasure to inform our Customers and the Public in general, that a beautiful medal, with a fine profile of the venerated President of these states has lately been executed in this city by Mr. James Manly, an Irish artist, who resided a considerable time in London. Mr. Manly has had uncommon difficulties to contend with in executing so capital a branch of the fine arts in a country where the auxiliary arts have not yet arrived at perfection. General Washington's Historical

Medals, A Striking and approved Likeness taken from the life, in silver, white and gold-coloured metal — from one dollar to four — are now ready to be delivered to those patriotic Gentlemen who have subscribed, and to every other citizen throughout the United States, who have virtue to esteem that exalted character, or generosity to patronize the arts and manufacturers of America. They are to be had at the Artist's, No. 1, Carter's Alley, Philadelphia.

Baker points out that Wright's etching was used later, in the 19th century as a basis for Washington's portrait on a number of medals by



Etching of George Washington by Joseph Wright

(Photo courtesy of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.)

J. A. Bolen, die-sinker of Springfield, Mass., about 1864. George T. Morgan, engraver at the United States Mint, according to Baker, came the closest to an exact rendering of Wright's Washington profile etching in the medal commemorating the centennial of the evacuation of New York by the British, published by John H. Diehl of Philadelphia. This medal was No. 43 illustrated in the July, 1949, *Numismatist*, p. 400, in the article by Susan H. Douglas, "George Washington Medals of 1889."

Wright's etching was used also as the basis for a number of wax sculptured medallions, possibly by Wright's sister, Mrs. Ebenezer Platt, as suggested by Fiske Kimball in his article on Joseph Wright (*Antiques*, January 1930). The Wedgewood medallion of Washington is a free interpretation. Samuel McIntire of Salem, Mass., carved from Hiller's copy of Wright's etching an oval wood profile portrait for the gates of Salem common, in the early 19th century. The plaster and the wax medallions of the laureated profile of Washington of the Custis and Lee and the Richardson and Smith families respectively, known to be by Wright's own hand, are different and authentic studies from life.

It is said that Joseph Wright gave some of his knowledge of sculpture to William Rush of Philadelphia, carver in wood. The portrait bust of Joseph Wright as a young man, in the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, by William Rush shows the artist with the fashionable Brutus hair-cut and the stock.

Joseph Wright's influence on the history of numismatics of the United States thus has three phases: his etching of Washington which was the basis of medals, engravings and sculpture by other artists, his design for our coinage mentioned by Dunlap, and his medal of Light Horse Harry Lee, Revolutionary hero and father of General Robert E. Lee, of the Army of Northern Virginia.

The medal of Lee, is sensitive, refined, and in very low relief. Just as Charles Cushing Wright later advanced from his Erie Canal medal to his supreme achievement in his Independence medal of Washington, so Joseph Wright, but for his untimely death, might have progressed in his knowledge of die-sinking to attainments in numismatic art equal to his successes already won in portrait painting and sculpture in the large.

The Henry Lee medal was made with one obverse but various reverses.

In 1795, Joseph Stretch, administrator of the estate of Joseph Wright, received \$233.33 payment for the modeling of a likeness and the cutting of two dies for the medal of Henry Lee in conformity with the resolution of Congress of September 24, 1779, according to Frank H. Stewart in his *History of the First U. S. Mint*.

Loubat in *The Medallic History of the United States, 1776-1876* says: "The original die of the obverse of this medal is in the Mint at Philadelphia, but the original die of the reverse is not to be found there. A new one was engraved for the Mint, some time ago, by Mr. Wm. Barber." William Barber began work for the Mint in 1865.

There are two books which contain descriptions of the Henry Lee medal prior to 1865, namely, Lossing's *Pictorial Field Book of the Revolution*, 1850, and Snowden's *The Medallic Memorial of Washington*, 1861. In Lossing the medal is shown in a wood engraving of a drawing of it, which shows the wreath as in Loubat, but with periods after the Latin words MEM. and PUGN. Snowden lists the reverse with no device, a similar legend with the periods after MEM. and PUGN. but with the year in Roman numerals, MDCLXXIX, an error of the engraver, and ET for &.

There also are Henry Lee medals with blank reverses in the collection of the American Numismatic Society and listed in Comperette's

Catalogue of Coins, Tokens and Medals in the Numismatic Collection of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa., 1912, p. 331.

MAJ. HENRY LEE:

Obv. HENRICO LEE LEGIONIS EQUIT. PRAEFECTO. COMITIA AMERICANA. (The American Congress to Henry Lee, major of cavalry.) Bust of Maj. Lee, facing the right. On edge of bust, J. WRIGHT.

Rev. No. 1. Within a crown of laurel: NON OBSTANTIB FLUMINIBUS VALLIS ASTUTIA & VIRTUTE BELLICA PARVA MANU HOSTES VICIT VICTOSQ. ARMIS HUMANITATE DEVINXIT. IN MEM. PUGN. AD PAULUS HOOK DIE. XIX AUG. 1779.

(Notwithstanding rivers and ramparts, he conquered, with a handful of men, the enemy by skill and valor, and attached by his humanity those vanquished by his arms. In commemoration of the Battle of Paulus Hook, August 19, 1779.) Illustrated in B. J. Lossing's *The Pictorial Field-book of the Revolution*, New York, 1855, II, 623.

Rev. No. 2. No device. Legend. NON OBSTANTIB. FLUMINIBUS, VALLIS, ASTUTIA ET VIRTUTE BELLICA, PARVA MANU HOSTES VICTOSQ. ARMIS HUMANITATE DEVINXIT. IN MEM. PUGN. AD PAULUS



Henry Lee Medal, obv. and rev.

(Photos courtesy of the American Numismatic Society.)

HOOK. DIE XIX AUG., MDCLXXIX. Size 36. Note MDCLXXIX, engraver's error. The year was 1779. Described in James Ross Snowden's *The Medallic Memorials of Washington*, Philadelphia, 1861, 66.

Rev. No. 3. Within a crown of laurel: NON OBSTANTIB FLUMINIBUS VALLIS ASTUTIA & VIRTUTE BELLICA PARVA MANU HOSTES VICIT VICTOSQ. ARMIS HUMANITATE DEVINXIT. IN MEM PUGN AD PAULUS HOOK DIE XIX. AUG. 1779. Described in J. F. Loubat's *The Medallic History of the United States of America, 1776-1876*, New York, 1881, 29.

Rev. No. 4. Blank.

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Oklahoma-Kansas Meeting

The convention of the Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association met in the Lamer Hotel, Salina, Kans., Oct. 16 and 17, with the Salina Coin Club as host. A number of collectors arrived Friday afternoon and an informal meeting was held that evening.

A total registration of 119 was recorded which is the largest attendance to date. Of this total 29 were from Oklahoma with 11 from Oklahoma City, six from Tulsa, five from Ponca City, and one or more from each of the following: Okmulgee, Denver, Guthrie, Pond Creek, Tonkawa and Woodward. Kansas showed a total of 70, Wichita leading with 25 and Salina 24. Other Kansas towns represented were El Dorado, Oakley, Kinsley, Delphos, Concordia, Pratt, Colby, Newton, Gem, Halstead, Oxford and Junction City. Thirteen came from Nebraska (Plattsmouth, Omaha, Bruning, Bostwick, Big Springs and Lincoln). Other out-of-state visitors were from Houston, Texas; St. Louis, Mo.; Pueblo, Colo.; Rolfe, Iowa; and Black River Falls, Wis.

There were 59 display cases of all types of numismatic material. Eleven dealers had bourse tables and both exhibits and bourse were open to the public for two days.

Saturday afternoon the ladies were taken on a tour which included the Eisenhower memorial in Abilene with a side trip to Marymount College in Salina.

The banquet was held Saturday evening with Floyd Hazelwood as

emcee. Dr. Max Lake gave the address of welcome followed by a short talk by Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, A.N.A. president. General Secretary Lewis M. Reagan of the A.N.A. presented the awards for outstanding exhibits which went to Stan Kolosky, Salina, U.S. currency; P. K. Saab, St. Louis, U.S. coins; Monty Sherwin, Black River Falls, Wis., foreign coins; Elmer G. Nelson, Lincoln, Neb., early American coins; Dr. Sekavec, Oakley, best housing of coins; Pam Deeble, Salina, junior division; Roy Osburn, Wichita, special and miniature coins.

The grand award went to Raymond J. Larson, Plattsmouth, Neb., for his display of U. S. coins of 1854. This was the year Kansas and Nebraska were admitted to the Union. Mr. Larson had prepared cards telling of events of the period. For the first time the award was a trophy.

Following the awards, Mr. Reagan presented a wrist watch to Mr. Hazelwood in recognition and appreciation of his work in making the convention a success.

The annual business meeting on Sunday morning was presided over by Pres. Fred J. Cooley with Mrs. Virginia Deeble as secretary. New officers for 1955 are Ralph Osborne, Guthrie, Okla., president; Roy Osburn, Wichita, Kans., vice president; Helen Canale, Oklahoma City, Okla., secretary; Glen Johnson, Solomon, Kans., director.

The next convention will meet in the Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, in October, 1955.

The Numismatic Gallery in Stockholm

The Swedish numismatic collections, also known as the Royal Swedish Collections of Coins and Medals, permanently housed and effectively displayed in Stockholm's handsome State Historical Museum, have traditions as state collections dating back to the middle of the 17th century. Some of Queen

eval coins of Greek, Arabian, Anglo-Saxon, and other origin, most of which have been excavated from Swedish soil.

By virtue of the unusually attractive manner in which the Swedish collections have been arranged, this part of the numismatic display is perhaps most interesting to study.



A 1662 five daler note

Christina's antique coins were their nucleus, and they have since been added to continuously. Royal and private collections have been donated or bought with Government grants.

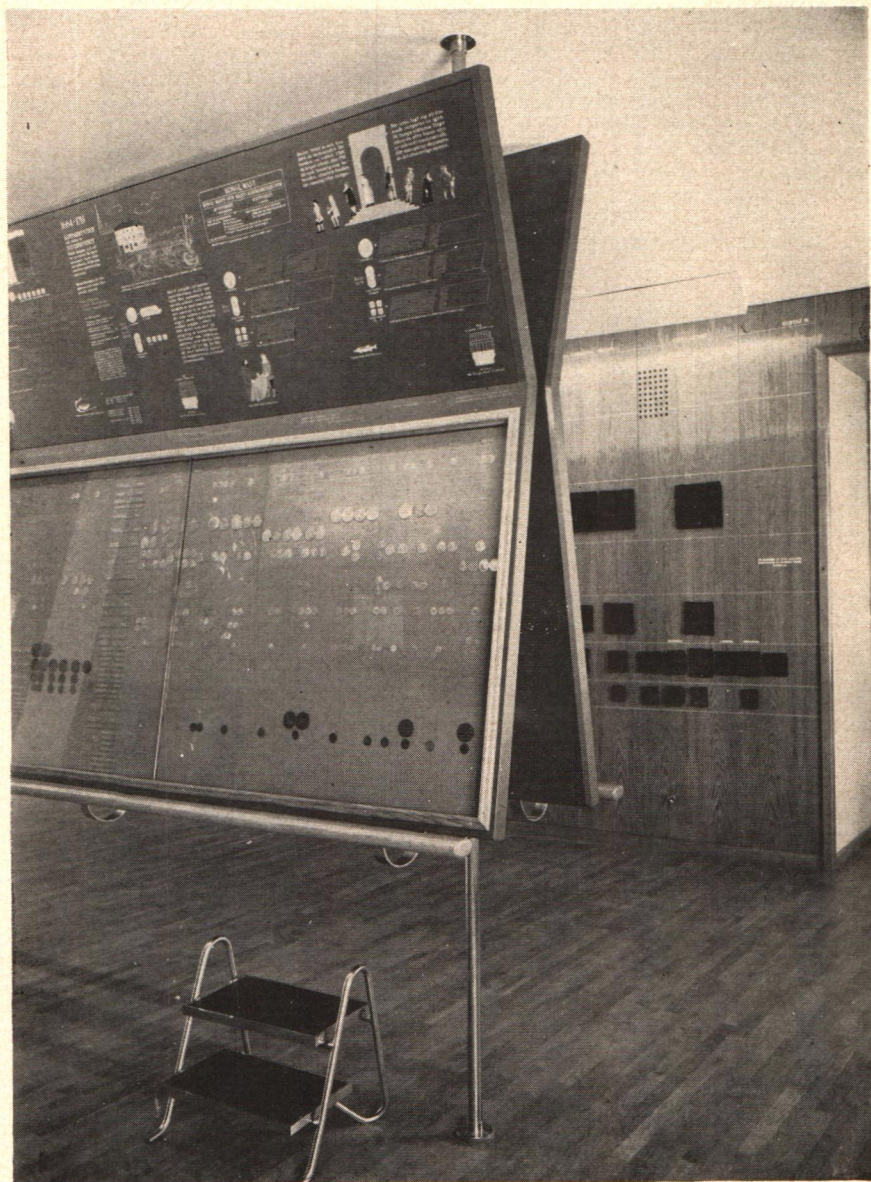
Coins, notably the most complete series of Swedish specimens in existence, bank notes, and medals form the display. In the foreign department are antique and medi-

The organizers and arrangers — antiquarians, economic experts, and artists in close collaboration — have not been content with displaying only the historical objects themselves. By means of educational panels, placed above the coin cases, the relative currency value of each group of pieces is explained in terms of easily grasped symbols. While being informed of what the money

was worth in kind at the time of circulation, the visitor feels the pulse of by-gone eras. The prices of cattle, pigs, or hay bales, a journeyman's earnings, the cost of food, clothes, and books, or an emigrant's

fare to America, are compared with the face value of the monetary unit.

Beginning with the most primitive coins — properly speaking only metal barter objects — the Swedish coin department follows the mone-



The coin room

tary history of the country from the 9th century to our day. Among specimens worthy of special interest are Sweden's, and Europe's, first banknote, printed in Stockholm in 1661, and its forerunner, the world's largest coin, a rectangular copper piece measuring some two by three feet and weighing nearly 40 pounds. Coins and banknotes from all eras, including the modern 10,000 kronor note (\$2,000) printed on white paper with a deceptively blank back, can be found there. The Swedish banknotes of various denominations, issued by some thirty private banks from 1830 to 1903, offer some very artistic and interesting designs.



Queen Christina medal

Turning to the department of medals, royal, semi-official, and private, one is struck by the elegant manner of presenting the explanatory texts on sliding panels below the display cases, leaving the exhibits free from all distracting lettering. The medal room is large and handsomely paneled so as to match the six ormolu coin cabinets which once belonged to the Swedish Queen Lovisa Ulrika, sister of Frederick the Great.

The medal collections are divided into two main groups as well as a number of special displays. One of

the main groups shows the progress (or regress, say some experts) of the art of medal coinage in Europe. It holds beautiful exhibits of early Italian, German, and French masterpieces from 1439 onwards up to present day examples of Swedish and foreign medals.

The other main group forms a miniature cavalcade of Sweden's history and that of its sovereigns. Within its frame are commemorated wars, victories and defeats, royal marriages and deaths, and other historic events, the deeds of great men and women, conquests in the fields of culture, art, and science.

Among the most beautiful of the medals is a medium-sized gold medal from the 17th century commemorating the departure from Sweden of King Gustavus Adolphus on his way by ship to Germany to fight in the Thirty Years' War. The design is so life-like that one can actually see the glitter of the waves. Another show piece is a lovely portrait medal in gold of Jenny Lind, "the Swedish Nightingale," one of the largest numbers in the lot. New discoveries and inventions in the fields of science and technique are other milestones in the display. One of the more unusual is that of a de Laval cream separator, which adorns one side of a medal struck in memory of that important invention a little less than one hundred years ago by a Swedish engineer. The old separator looks much like its present day successor.

A special display table holds gold medals awarded to Swedish nationals of unusual distinction. Perhaps the most unique is that won by King Gustavus III in 1786. As an anonymous competitor, he was awarded the first prize for writing an apotheosis over a national hero in a contest conducted by the Swedish Academy. In the honor group is also found the first Nobel medal won by a Swede, the chemist Svante Arrhenius, who received the Prize in 1903.

In this group is the largest collection of medals awarded one single person, Dr. Sven Hedin, the famed Swedish Asiatic explorer who died

in 1953 at the age of 87. In 1912 Hedin donated his collection of awards from learned societies and governments the world over. An additional collection was donated in 1943 and the remainder was willed to the museum. The first donation is probably matchless, however, since gold is scarce nowadays or

perhaps the learned societies are no longer so rich. The majority of the Hedin medals are three inches or more in diameter, and have a thickness of half an inch. There are 34 of them with a gold content of perhaps 30 pounds altogether.

— American-Swedish News
Agency release

COUNTERFEIT SOVEREIGNS

From the August, 1954, issue of the Australian Numismatic Society Report

Members may recall an article, regarding court decisions on the counterfeiting of sovereigns, published on page 74 of our March, 1954 report. Mention was made of foreign courts ruling that private manufacture of sovereigns with the correct proportion of gold content was legal. These rulings were based on the courts' opinion that gold coins are no longer currency in Britain and were classified as "merchandise." These decisions were reversed when the British Treasury proved that sovereigns were still legal tender as their use had not been terminated by Royal Warrant.

Mention was also made of a "private mint" found by police in Melbourne in January last where a man was counterfeiting Edward VII sovereigns. This case came before the court on 10th August and the man was charged with: having in his possession coining instruments; making counterfeit current coin; having possession of 745 counterfeit sovereigns, with intent to utter them. The prosecution indicated the man had been making sovereigns which, ordinarily, would be regarded as coin of the realm. The "minter" claimed he was making the coins to market them as earrings at £1 each.

The judge directed the jury to find the man not guilty for the following reasons. The judge held that sovereigns were no longer currency coins, as the Banking Act, 1953, had

destroyed the gold sovereign as a currency coin of the realm. Under the Banking Act it is an offence to have possession of more than £25 worth of sovereigns. In other words the act has completely destroyed the character of the sovereign as money. It appeared to the judge that the sovereign was now only valued for its gold content. It would be an offence if anybody sought to buy goods in a shop with one. It had lost its character as a medium of exchange and that was the essential character of current coin.

It was surprising, the judge said, that when the act destroyed the original character of the sovereign as money, it had overlooked the proper precautions in the Coins Act and the Crimes Act designed to protect coins of the realm.

However, the Commonwealth retained the "homemade sovereigns."

The following is an extract from a newspaper report dated, London, August 11th:

The British Treasury's campaign to protect the gold sovereign has received a severe setback. This is because of the ruling in Melbourne yesterday that the gold sovereigns are no longer currency coins. The British Treasury has successfully argued in cases in Italy and Tangier of alleged counterfeiting that the sovereign is still "current coin and legal tender."

Treasury officials said they would not comment on the Melbourne case until they received all the facts.

OMAHA — A.N.A. CONVENTION CITY FOR 1955

Season's greetings from your 1955 A.N.A. convention city. The year 1954 has been a proud centennial year for Omaha. The whole year has been a great birthday party for the city. There have been many special events presented to help celebrate the 100th birthday of Nebraska's largest city, the city that will be host to the 1955 A.N.A. convention.

Among the events presented during the year for this celebration were: The Centennial Big Show-Historical Spectacle, with Broadway and Hollywood stars heading a cast of 1000, A Centennial Costume Ball, and numerous parades and other special events. These all helped to create a gay and festive air throughout 1954.

In 1854, the Omaha Indians ceded Douglas County to the U. S. On February 2nd, 1857, Omaha was incorporated as a city. In 1895 the now famous Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben was founded. The Trans-Mississippi Exposition was held here in 1898 and 1899.

A Federal Land Bank and branch Federal Reserve Bank was established in Omaha in 1917. In this same year, the world famous Father Flanagan's Boys Home was founded. Boys Town will be one of the highlights included in the convention program. The Joslyn Art Museum was opened in 1931. This will be another attraction to visit while you are in Omaha for the A.N.A. convention.

Plan your vacation now, so that you can include a week at Omaha for the 1955 A.N.A. convention in August.

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CALENDAR OF FUTURE NUMISMATIC EVENTS

In order that this Calendar be as complete as possible, secretaries of State or Regional Organizations should advise the General Secretary of future meetings which should be included.

Inquiries, further information, or reservations should be sent to official indicated.

National Coin Week. April 23-29, 1955.

California State Numismatic Association. Sixteenth semiannual convention. April 28-May 1, 1955. Hotel Claremont, Oakland, Calif.

Central States Numismatic Society. Annual convention. April 29-May 1, 1955. Hotel Statler, Detroit, Mich. Ivan C. Ebeling, General Chairman, 30400 Drake Road, Farmington, Mich. Earl C. Brown, Secretary (CSNS), 7005 S. Normal Blvd., Chicago 21, Ill.

American Numismatic Association. 64th annual convention. Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebraska. August 24-27, 1955. Loyd B. Gettys, General Chairman, Box 320, David City, Neb.

Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association. Eighth annual convention. Oct. 16, 1955. Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Okla.

American Numismatic Association. 65th annual convention. Congress Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. Aug. 22-25, 1956. The 1957 convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa. Time and place to be announced later.

Seventy-five years ago the United States government heeded Sen. John Sherman's advice that the "Only way to resume is to resume," and again began paying out specie.

INTRODUCTION TO EAST ROMAN COINAGE

PART III. BARBARIC IMITATIONS

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European coinage following the collapse of the western Roman empire has always presented a confusing picture since most of the coins, whether struck by the barbarians or by the remaining eastern imperial mints, bear some allusion to the emperor on the obverse and generally follow the Roman reverse pattern. This problem is especially vexing to the Byzantine collector since he frequently encounters such imitative coins in bulk lots of Byzantine bronzes and occasionally even in lots of silver and gold. Since these imitative coinages are generally neglected by the authors of basic numismatic references, it was felt that it would be of value to include a brief discussion of them in conjunction with this series on East Roman coinage.

For the sake of brevity, only those barbarian coinages which closely resemble Byzantine issues in style and fabric or are sufficiently common to be encountered occasionally will be considered in any great detail. The rarer imitative coinages will be covered in a general manner only. The coinages of the kingdoms of the Vandals and the Ostrogoths fall into the first category while the rarer coinages, generally in gold, include the issues struck by the Visigoths in Spain, the Burgundians and Franks in Gaul, and the Lombards in Italy.

The same approach used in the two earlier East Roman papers will be followed here. Initially, in the case of the commoner issues, a brief history will be given, followed by a review of their coinage. Finally a list of representative obverse and reverse legends will be presented. The rarer issues will be covered in a less comprehensive manner.

The principal reference used for the Vandal and Ostrogoth coinages was the British Museum catalog by Warwick Wroth published in 1911, and although other references were consulted, his attributions were accepted as final. In any case of doubt the reader is advised to consult this reference.

THE VANDALS

GAISERIC (428-477) is the first Vandal king of numismatic importance. This ruler succeeded to the throne while his tribe was still in Spain and was responsible for its crossing into northern Africa. Roman Africa was easily conquered by the Vandals and by 435 even Carthage was in their hands. Gaiseric was strong enough by 455 to raid Italy and sack Rome, establishing the Vandals as the main power in the western Mediterranean area. After a long reign of 49 years, Gaiseric was succeeded by his son

HUNERIC (477-484) who continued his father's policies. Unfortunately, Huneric also initiated religious persecution of the Orthodox Christians (the Vandals were Arian Christians) which weakened the

internal stability of the nation. Simultaneously the native Moors began a series of intermittent insurrections against the Vandals which continued until their overthrow.

GUNTHAMUND (484-496), a nephew of Huneric, was the third Vandal king. The new ruler was somewhat milder than his predecessors and did little to control the internal strife. At his death, his brother

TRASAMUND (496-523) was selected as king. Of all the Vandal rulers, a rather rough crowd, Trasamund is the most attractive figure from a modern viewpoint being a dashing and somewhat romantic ruler. Despite numerous campaigns, however, Trasamund was unable to control the internal rebellions although he kept the nation intact during his reign. His successor

HILDERIC (523-530), the now aged son of Huneric, was just not able to control his rebellious subjects and after an especially humiliating defeat by the Moors, the Vandal nobility deposed him in favor of

GELIMER (530-533), a nephew of Gunthamund and great-grandson of Gaiseric. Unfortunately for Gelimer, his predecessor had made an alliance with the eastern emperor, Justinian. When Justinian heard of Hilderic's deposition, he decided the time was ripe to regain Africa for the empire and sent Belisarius, his best general, to Africa with a large army on the pretext that he was coming to the aid of his ally. Gelimer rallied the Vandals but they were no match for the revitalized Romans and after several battles, the Vandal kingdom was destroyed and Gelimer was sent a prisoner to Constantinople. North Africa was again a Roman province and remained so until the Arabs conquered it in the eighth century.

Types and Inscriptions

Vandal coinage follows the Roman lead and only occasionally shows signs of independence. The only gold coins believed of Vandalic origin were struck by Gaiseric in the name of Valentinian III and by Trasamund in the name of Anastasius I. The silver coinage was more profuse and toward the end of the kingdom bore distinctive marks. Initially both Gaiseric and Huneric struck imitative siliquae in the name of Honorius. Gunthamund, however, issued siliquae in his own name and instituted its half and quarter values, each with its own distinctive marking based on one hundred bronze denari. With a few variations, these denominations were retained by all of his successors.

Gaiseric struck only imitative bronze pieces but after the fall of Carthage, a series of bronze denominational coins were issued. Those attributed to Gaiseric by Wroth have a standing Vandal soldier on the obverse with the legend KARTHAGO while a horsehead over a Roman numeral denomination served as the reverse type. Huneric changed the obverse type to a standing female personification of Carthage holding corn ears in outstretched hands and removed the horsehead from the reverse, surrounding the value mark with a heavy wreath. These distinctive coins were discontinued by their successors who substituted masses of small, crude, imitative Roman coins bearing an emperor's bust on the obverse and using typical Roman reverses including imperial monograms, large letters, walking victories, and even the "two emperors"

types. The legends on both faces are usually badly blundered. The only major exception is a bronze issue of Gelimer on which he used his monogram as the reverse type and a bust of himself on the obverse. These small bronzes are attributed to emperors from Honorius to Justinian when the legend is sufficiently legible to make such distinction.



Fig. 1. Bronze 21 nummi piece of Gaiseric. It should be noted that the "nummi" of the Vandals were not strictly imitative of the Byzantine "nummia" since they were instituted almost 50 years prior to the reforms of Anastasius. (ANS Collection).

Fig. 2. Bronze 42 nummi piece of Huneric. (ANS Collection)

Fig. 3. Silver "100 denari" coin of Gunthamund. Note how closely this piece resembles the contemporary Roman siliqua. (ANS Collection)

REPRESENTATIVE VANDALIC OBVERSE LEGENDS

Gaiseric (bronze only)

1. KARTHAÇO

Gunthamund (silver only)

1. DN REX GVNTHAMVND

Trasamund (silver only)

1. DN RQ THSAMVND

Hilderic (silver only)

1. DN HILDIRIX REX

Gelimer

1. GEIL (bronze only)

2. DN REX GEILAMIR (silver only)

REPRESENTATIVE VANDALIC REVERSE LEGENDS

Gaiseric

1. XII (42 nummi)

2. XXI (21 nummi)

3. XXI (12 nummi)

Huneric

1. N XII (42 nummi)

2. N XX I (21 nummi)

3. N XII (12 nummi)

4. N
IIII (4 nummi)

Gunthamund (silver only)

1. D·N (100 denari)

2. D·N (50 denari)

3. D·N
XXV (25 denari)

Trasamund (silver only)

1. D·N (50 denari)

Hilderic (silver only)

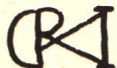
1. FELIX CARTA
(50 denari)

2. XXV
(25 denari)

Gelimer

1. D·N (50 denari)

2. (monogram of Gelimer)



REPRESENTATIVE TYPES AND LEGENDS FOUND ON VANDALIC SMALL BRONZE COINS

Obverse types and legends: The obverse of these small coins, weighing rarely over 20 grains and not usually over 0.5 inches in diameter, is generally occupied by a bust right, wearing diadem and drapery, although a cuirass is sometimes worn. A legend, usually blundered, is present, attributing these issues all the way from Honorius to Justinian I. Examples of these legends are:

1. IVS NIAN (bust Justinian I right)
2. DNVA INIA (bust Valentinian III right)
3. DOMINO NOSTRO (unknown emperor facing right)
4. HONORI (bust Honorius right)

Reverse types and legends: Many varied reverse types are found in this series. Victory, standing or walking right or left is common. The "Roma seated" reverse so popular in the fourth century is frequently seen, and the standing emperor reverses are all present. The depicted figures are grotesque and sometimes merely implied. Blundered forms of the VICTORIA AVGGG, VICTORIA AVGVSTORVM, SALVS REIPVBLICAE, and even PAX AVG, legends are seen with these types. Two somewhat more distinctive reverse series found in this group of coins are (1) the imperial monograms of the Byzantine type and (2) letter reverses. Examples of these are as follows:

Monograms of Byzantine emperors

Theodosius II

a. 

Marcian

a.  b.  c. 

Leo I

a.  b. 

Zeno

a.  b.  c. 

Anastasius I

a. 

Justinian I

a.  b. 

Letter reverse types

a.  b.  c.  d.  e.  f.  h.  i. 

(To be continued)

Fifty years ago the Louisiana Purchase Exposition was held in St. Louis, Mo., and gold coins commemorating that event were struck.

THE MEMBERSHIP MEDAL

The October issue of *The Numismatist* contained an announcement of a proposed Membership Medal and invited subscriptions to it, subject to the condition that the medals would be made available if it appeared that there is a sufficient interest in this project to make it feasible.

The Medallic Art Committee is pleased to report that more than the minimum number of orders have been received and the committee is now prepared to recommend to the Executive Board that the proposed medals be struck and offered to members on the terms given in the first announcement.



For medals ordered (without remittance) on or before January 31, 1955, the cost will be \$4.00 for the bronze and \$6.00 for the silver, engraved and postpaid. On and after February 1, 1955, the price will be \$5.00 for the bronze and \$7.50 for the silver. It is not planned at present to offer this medal in gold.

The date on which the medals will be ready for delivery will be announced later. Orders for the medals should be sent to

M. VERNON SHELDON
451 Wrightwood Ave.
Chicago 14, Ill.

Obituary

IRA S. REED, A. N. A. No. 4800

Ira S. Reed, 61, died Oct. 20, at his home, 729 N. Easton Road, Glenside, Pa. Mr. Reed, who formerly operated a coin shop at 37 South 18th Street, was an appraiser, auctioneer and dealer in antiques until his retirement in 1947. An early member of the American Numismatic Association, he was active in the Philadelphia Coin Club. He was a life-long member of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, serving as deacon for many years and later as elder of Trinity Church, Telford. He was on the board of trustees of the Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa., for 35 years. In 1930 he built the Reed Baby Cottage as a gift to that home.

He was a member of Christ Evangelical and Reformed Church, Trumbauersville, Pa. Surviving are his wife, the former Mary E. Scarborough; two daughters, Dr. Lola S. Reed, a physician, of Phoenixville; and Mrs. Hazel Graves, of Baltimore; and a brother. Interment was in Trinity Church cemetery, Telford.

GERMAN WAR TOKENS ("NOTGELD")

By the late O. P. Eklund

(Continued from May, 1952, issue)

At the request of many readers, we are pleased to resume publication of this excellent study which began in March, 1948. The manuscript is complete and is in the hands of the Editor, so remaining instalments will appear from time to time.

STADTAMHOF (BAVARIA)

Private Issue

1638. 10 pfennig 1917. Obv., ANTON KNABL - STADTAMHOF, divided by 19 - - 17 at sides, in the field 10. Rev., the figure of Mercury seated, leaning upon a shield bearing the issuer's monogram AK, on the ground an anchor. Iron. 20 mm.

STAVENHAGEN (MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN)

The City

1639. 10 pfennig n.d. Obv., bearded bust of the poet, Fritz Reuters, (born at Stavenhagen in 1810), surrounded by the inscription WENN EINER DAUHN DEIHT, WAT HEI DEIHT, SO KANN HEI NICH MIHR DAUHN, AS HEI DEIHT, in "platt dutch" (?) dialect. Rev., NOTGELD D. STADT STAVENHAGEN. In center 10 within a corded circle. Iron. 20 mm.

STEINACH (SAXE-MEININGEN)

The Community

1640. 5 pfennig n.d. Obv., GEMEINDE (trefoil) STEINACH (trefoil). Arms (mountains and forest, a crown suspended from a garland of leaves above), in plain circle. Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZMARKE*** In center 5 in corded circle. Iron. Octagonal. 21 mm.
1641. 10 pfennig n.d. Similar but a beaded circle around the arms, and 10 on reverse. Octagonal. 22 mm.

STEINFELS (BAVARIA)

Private Issue

1642. 10 pfennig n.d. Obv., AKT.GES. ("Stock Company") STEINFELS, in the field VORM. ("formerly") | HEINRICH | * KNAB * Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZMARKE*** In center 10 in corded circle. Zinc. Octagonal. 22 mm.

STEINWIESEN (BAVARIA)

Community

1643. 5 pfennig 1921. Obv., a man standing on a raft, holding a pike pole, above Hannla - zwick o! Rev., GEMEINDE STEINWIESEN * In the field 5 | 1921. Zinc. 18 mm.
1644. 10 pfennig 1921. Similar but 10 on reverse. 22 mm.

STENDAL (SAXONY)

The City

1645. 10 pfennig n.d. Obv., MAGISTRAT DER STADT+STENDAL+Shield of arms (to left a spread eagle cut in half, to right five diamonds) in beaded circle. Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZMARKE*** In the field 10 in corded circle. Iron. Octagonal. 22 mm.

STERKRADE (RHINE PROVINCE)

The City

1646. 5 pfennig 1917. Obv., STADT. STERKRADE. Crowned shield of arms (divided in center, in the left half three "blue" bars, in the right a single "blue" bar on which a bird is standing). Rev., KRIEGSGELD 1917. PFENNIG. In center 5. Zinc. 19 mm.
1647. 10 pfennig 1917. Similar but 10 on reverse. 23 mm.
1648. 50 pfennig 1918. Obv., crowned shield as last flanked by two square pellets, above STADT, below STERKRADE. Rev., KRIEGSGELD | 1918 | 50 | PFENNIG. Iron. Square. 19 x 19 mm.

STETTIN (POMERANIA)

The City

1649. 5 pfennig 1917. Obv., (scroll) STADT STETTIN (scroll). In the field the crowned head of a griffin (arms), 1917 below. Rev., ERSATZGELD * GULTIG BIS ENDE 1919 * ("substitute money, legal up to the end of 1919"). In the field 5 Pf. Zinc. Octagonal. 21 mm.
1650. 10 pfennig 1917. Similar but 10 on reverse. Octagonal. 22 mm.



1651. 50 pfennig 1918. Obv., arms as last, above STADT STETTIN, below 1918. Rev., ERSATZGELD | 50 Pf. | GULTIG | BIS ENDE 1919. Iron. Square. 23 x 23 mm.
1652. 10 pfennig 1920. Similar to next to preceding except for date, and . Gultig bis Ende 1922. Zinc. Scalloped. 22 mm.
1653. 50 pfennig 1920. Similar but rosettes in place of pellets as stops in the reverse legend, and 50 | Pf. Scalloped. 26 mm.

STRALSUND (POMERANIA)

The City

1654. 5 pfennig 1917. Obv., STADT STRALSUND*1917* Crowned arms (a "strahl," three hollow points) in beaded circle. Rev., KRIEGSGELD*** In center 5 within a circle of pellets. Zinc. 19 mm.
1655. 10 pfennig 1917. Similar but 10 on reverse. 20 mm.
1656. 50 pfennig 1917. Similar but 50. 24 mm.



1657. 100 pfennig 1917. Similar but 100. 26 mm.
1658. 50 pfennig 1917. Similar but iron.

STRASSBURG (ALSACE)

The City

1659. 5 pfennig 1918. Obv., STADT. STRASSBURG. ELS (Alsace). 1918. Shield of arms (a "red" bend on "silver" field) and a war helmet. Rev.,

. KRIEGSGELD., in the field 5, PFENNIG | (ornament) below. All of the inscription in script letters. Iron. 18 mm.

1660. 10 pfennig 1918. Obv., STADT STRASSBURG — ELS. 1918. The Madonna with outspread arms, seated on a throne holding the Child in her lap, at her feet a shield of arms as last. Rev., KRIEGSGELD PFENNIG, in center 10. Lettering as last. 21 mm. Iron.

STREHLEN (SILESIA)

1661. 10 pfennig 1917. Obv., shield of arms (in the left half the figure of the archangel Michael holding a down pointed sword, in the right and up pointed arrow through a large S on "red" field), in a scroll, above SPARMARKE ("savings token") 1917 below. Rev., STADTSPARKASSE. (City Savings Bank) STREHLEN SCHLES. ("Silesia"). In the field 10. Zinc. Octagonal. 22 mm.
1662. 10 pfennig 1917. Similar but iron. Octagonal.
1663. 50 pfennig 1918. Obv., a large shield of arms, as last; below SPARMARKE 1918. Rev., similar to last but 50 in the field. Iron. 26 mm.

STUTTGART (WURTEMBERG)

Private Issue

1664. 20 pfennig n.d. Obv., PAUL SCHRODER (rosette) STUTTGART (rosette). In the field 20 in beaded circle. Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZ-MARKE*** In center 20 within a corded circle. Zinc. Octagonal. 19 mm.

SUHL (SAXONY)

The City

1665. 5 pfennig n.d. Obv., coat of arms (a city gate with two towers, in the open gateway a crowing cock on a mound, between the towers two implements [?] crossed). Rev., STADT SUHL — KLEINGELDER-SATZ*** In center 5 in beaded circle. Iron. 16 mm.
1666. 10 pfennig n.d. Similar but 10 on reverse. Octagonal. 22 mm.



1667. 50 pfennig n.d. Similar but no hyphen between SUHL and KLEIN., and 50 in the circle. Octagonal. 26 mm.

SWINEMUNDE (POMERANIA)

The City

1668. 5 pfennig 1917. Obv., SWINEMUNDE. 1917. Shield of arms (a griffin rampant holding an anchor to left). Rev., 5 above, KRIEGSGELD below. Zinc. 19 mm.
1669. 10 pfennig 1917. Similar but 10 on reverse. 21 mm.

TAILFINGEN (WURTEMBERG)

Community

1670. 10 pfennig n.d. Obv., NOTGELD DER GEMEINDE TAILFINGEN * Shield of arms (divided in center, to left a spool and a spindle crossed, to right four mountains; the upper part quartered, "black" and "white"). Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZ*** In the field 10. Zinc. 18 mm.
1671. 5 pfennig n.d. Similar but 50 on reverse. 20 mm.
1672. 10 pfennig n.d. Similar but iron. 17 mm.
1673. 50 pfennig n.d. Similar. 19 mm. (unusual size).

TAUBERBISCHOFSEIM (BADEN)

The City

1674. 5 pfennig 1918. Obv., STADT * TAUBERBISCHOFSEIM * Arms (a Bishop's mitre upon crossed crozier and cross, a wheel with six spokes, between three B's above). Rev., KRIEGSNOTGELD, in center 5, PFg. divides 19 -- 18 below. Zinc. 18 mm.
1675. 10 pfennig 1918. Similar but 10 on reverse. Iron. 20 mm.

TEGERNSEE-ROTTACH (BAVARIA)

Two Communities

1676. 5 pfennig n.d. Obv., KLEINGELDERSATZMARKE TEGERNSEE ROTTACH. Arms (two leaves on curved stems, crossed) in beaded circle. Rev., a large 5. Zinc. 18 mm.
1677. 5 pfennig n.d. Similar but thinner flan.
1678. 10 pfennig n.d. Similar but SEE-ROT (a hyphen between), a star in place of pellet as stop, and 10 on reverse. 23 mm.
1679. 50 pfennig n.d. Similar but 50 on reverse. 20 mm.

TEMPELBURG (POMERANIA)

The Town

1680. 10 pfennig n.d. Obv., MAGISTRAT * TEMPELBURG * In the field 10. Rev., KLEINGELDERSATZMARKE*** In center 10 within a circle of pellets. Iron. 20 mm.

TETEROW (MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN)

The City

1681. 5 pfennig n.d. Obv., in center a fish with a bell suspended from a collar around the neck (Arms), KRIEGSGELD above, STADT | TETEROW below. Rev., a large 5. Iron. 19 mm.
1682. 10 pfennig n.d. Similar but 10 on reverse. 21 mm.



1683. 50 pfennig n.d. Similar but 50. 26 mm.

TETTANNG (WURTEMBERG)

The City

1684. 10 pfennig 1918. Obv., * KRIEGS. NOTGELD. 1918 * Two shields of arms, Montfort (a banner), and Tettanng (a leaping dog), crowned, below 10 with PF. inside of the O. Rev., OBERAMTS. STADT. TETTANNG * 1918 * In the field 10 | PFENNIG. Iron. 21 mm.

THALE AM HARZ (SAXONY)

Community, after 1921 a City

1685. 10 pfennig 1918. Obv., THALE AM HARZ ("on the Harz" Mountains) 1918 Shield of arms crested with a plumed helmet and a "wild" man holding a pine tree. Rev., WELT KRIEGSGELD ("world war money") * PFENNIGE * In the field 10. Iron. Octagonal. 22 mm.
1686. 3 mark n.d. (1921). Obv., the figure of a nude "wild" man standing, holding a pine tree to right, and a club to left, three stars below, a plain circle around the border. Rev., Thale a/Harz * Mark * In the field 3, a small perforation in center. Enameled iron. Black and white. 29 mm.

1687. 5 mark n.d. Similar but 5 on reverse. 31 mm.

1688. 10 mark n.d. Similar but 10, and a gilded circle around the border both sides. 31 mm. ("gold coin").



1689. 20 mark n.d. Similar but 20 on reverse. 31 mm.

These unique tokens were made at an iron foundry, "Harz."

1690. 5 pfennig 1921. Obv., a devil's head with horns. Rev., STADT THALE 1921, in the field a large 5, PFENNIG between sprays of laurel and oak below. Plated zinc. 16 mm.

1691. 10 pfennig 1921. Obv., a stag reclining on ground, to left, above a scroll inscribed THALE | a HARZ, branches at sides. Rev., 10 | PFENNIG between branches of oak, 1921 above. Zinc; plated. 20 mm.



1692. 25 pfennig 1921. Obv., a witch holding a broom, within a horseshoe. Rev., STADT THALE 1921, in the field 25, PFENNIG between branches of oak below. Plated zinc. Milled edge. 25 mm.



1693. 50 pfennig 1921. Obv., a nude "wild" man standing, supporting an uprooted pine tree to left, and a sprouting club of oak to right, three stars below, to right plants with flowers, near the rim in small script L. CHR. LAUER-NURNBERG (makers of the token). Rev., STADT THALE A/HARZ, in the field 50 | PFENNIG, 1921 between sprays of oak below. Plated zinc. 25 mm.



1694. 2 mark 1921. Obv., a wildcat standing to right, his hind feet resting upon a spray of oak and his front feet upon a crown, a spray of oak above. Rev., between sprays of oak 1921 | 2 | MARK | THALE | HARZ. Aluminum. 27 mm.



1695. 3 mark 1921. Obv., shield of arms (quartered, in the upper left a stag's horn, in the right a "bend," in the lower left a tower, in the right NIEMALS | ZURUCK ("never backwards") | 1900, in the center a small shield on which three branches(?) in a circle, and a crab, crested with a plumed helmet and a "wild" man holding a pine tree, at sides on panels .3. | MARK, on a scroll above THALER .GELD, around the border below, ZUR ERINNERUNG ANDIE STADT WERDUNG (Commemorating the promotion of Thale, from a Community to a City, in 1921), under the shield in tiny letters L. CHR. LAUER-NURNBERG. Rev., a hunter mounted holding a spear, charging to left, by the side of the horse two dogs are running, in the field above a hawk, a bat, and an owl, all flying, around the border a garland of oak divided by THALE | A HARZ above, and 1921 below. Aluminum. 30 mm.



1696. Double thaler (5 mark) n.d. (1921). Obv., the head of a man in long beard, and slouch hat, before the face WOTAN, (a giant wild man who lived in the Harz Mountain-forest, pulling up pine trees by the roots and using same as staffs), on scrolls above THALE .HARZ, below DOPPEL .THALER, at sides garlands of oak. Rev., the "Bodenthal" cliffs and river, above a mounted female is leaping across the chasm, behind her a man and horse upside down, is falling into the river below

("the Princess Brunhilde's leap of the Bodethal"), around the border HEXENTANZ PLATZ ("the witches' dancing place") BODETAL ROSS-TRAPPE ("horse trap"), in microscopic script below L. CHR. LAUER -- NURNBERG. Bronze. 38 mm.

1697. Double thaler 1923. Similar 1923 below the man, and a star under WOTAN.



1698. Double thaler 1923. Obv., as last. Rev., a nude "wild man," with a crown of oak on the head and a garland of oak around the loins, standing, leaning upon an uprooted pine tree to left and a club of oak to right, at his feet a plant in bloom.



1699. Double thaler 1923. Obv., as last. Rev., a wildcat standing upon a spray of oak and a crown, to right, oak leaves and acorns above, at the bottom, L. CHR. LAUER -- NURNBERG.



1700. Double thaler 1923. Obv., as last. Rev., a hunter with spear, mounted, charging to left, two dogs running below, above a hawk, a bat and an owl are flying, at sides garlands of oak divided by THALE | A. HARZ above, and 1923 below.

These interesting tokens were designed by the artist ("art painter") Nurnst in Weimar, engraved by Hummel and Wrede, and struck by Lauer in Nuremberg.

THORN (WEST PRUSSIA)

The City

1701. 50 pfennig 1918. Obv., STADT - THORN, shield of arms (a city gate with three towers and open gate) supported by an angel standing behind, 1918 underneath. Rev., KRIEGSNOTGELD, in center 50, the "pfennig mark" below. Zinc. 23 mm.

TILSIT (EAST PRUSSIA)

The City

1702. 1 pfennig 1918. Obv., KRIEGSGELD * STADT TILSIT * Shield of arms (a city wall and a tower, upon the wall a small shield, quartered "black" and "white," "blue" waves below), in beaded circle. Rev., IN EISERNER ZEIT ("in iron times") * 1918 * In the field, within a beaded circle a large 1. PFENNIG in curved line below. Iron. Octagonal. 20 mm.
1703. ½ mark 1918. Obv., IN EISERNER ZEIT * STADT * TILSIT * Shield of arms as last, in beaded circle. Rev., FUNF DITTCHEN ("five dittchen") * 1918 * divided by 50 | PF both sides, in the field ½ | MARK in beaded circle. Iron. 26 mm.
1704. ½ mark 1918. Similar but larger fraction and curved instead of straight bottom stroke on the 2, and thicker flan.

(To be continued)

Copper Quiz for Coin Collectors

By Stuart Mosher

Count 5 for each correct answer. If you score 70 you have a very fine score. Fifty or less is below average while 90 or more is remarkable. Answers will be found on page 1324.

Questions

1. Which contains the most copper, a Lincoln cent of 1954 or a Jefferson nickel of 1954?
2. What country is famous for issuing the largest copper coins?
3. Approximately what percentage of copper will be found in foreign gold coins?
4. What country of ancient times used copper coins weighing about one pound and equal in value to one ox?
5. If you were to refine 20 pounds of current U. S. silver coins, how much copper would you obtain?
6. What country issued the same denomination and about the same type of copper coins for over 2000 years?
7. Why are policemen sometimes called "cops," or "coppers"?
8. What state in the U. S. produces the most copper?
9. What country in the world produces the most copper?
10. During the Civil War some people were called "copperheads." Who were they?
11. Which is the better conductor of heat, iron or copper?
12. Which came first, the copper (bronze) age or the iron age?
13. Name the one U. S. coin that did not contain copper as an alloy.
14. What is the largest English copper coin ever made?
15. For three years the United States made silver coins containing three parts silver and one part copper. What coin was it?
16. What is the chemical symbol for copper?
17. Name the one year between 1793 and 1857 when the United States did not strike copper coins.
18. Was copper ever used as an alloy in the silver coins of ancient Greece?
19. Give the name of at least one copper coin of ancient Rome.
20. What was the largest amount of money ever paid for a U. S. copper coin?

New or Recent Issues

Described by Ernst Kraus

It is the important duty of *The Numismatist* to record and illustrate all new issues. Members, both in the United States and abroad, are invited to submit new issues to Ernst Kraus, 2006 Benson Avenue, Brooklyn 14, New York. The coins will be photographed and returned as soon as possible. A credit line will be given to every new issue described.

GREAT BRITAIN



1 Shilling, 1954. Copper-nickel. Obverse: Head of queen, right. Legend: ELIZABETH II . DEI GRATIA REGINA. Reverse: English arms between date, legend on top: FID. DEF., value below.



6 Pence, 1954. Copper-nickel. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: Rose, thistle, shamrock and iris. FID. DEF. above, value and date below.



1/2 Penny, 1954. Bronze. Obverse: Head of queen, right, legend: ELIZABETH II . DEI GRATIA REGINA F.D. Reverse: Galleon, value above, date below.



Farthing, 1954. Bronze. Obverse similar to above. Reverse: Wren, date above, value below. (Vernon M. Brown, Curator the Chase National Bank Money Exhibit.)

IRAQ



100 Fils, 1953. Silver. Obverse: Head of king, right. Arabic inscription: Feisal the Second, King of Iraq. Reverse: Value in center, the Christian date 1953 on the left, the Mohammedan date 1372 at right. Inscription in upper panel: THE KINGDOM, in the lower panel: IRAQ. (Lauren Benson, Robert Friedberg.)

ITALY



5 Lire, 1953. Aluminum. Obverse: Rudder of fishing boat, legend: REPUBBLICA ITALIANA. Reverse: Value, date, mint mark (Rome) dolphin below. (Robert Friedberg, Gimbels Coin Department.)

MOZAMBIQUE



1 Escudo, 1953. Bronze. Obverse: Arms, legend on top: MOCAMBIQUE, date on bottom. Reverse: Value in center, legend: REPUBLICA PORTUGUESA.



50 Centavos, 1953. Bronze. Similar but smaller planchet. (Lauren Benson.)

PORTUGAL



10 Escudos, 1954. Silver. Obverse: Caravel. Inscription above: REPUBLICA PORTUGUESA, date on bottom. Reverse: Arms above globe between value, reeded edge. (Lauren Benson.)

Season's Greetings

The General Secretary and his staff extend to each member of the
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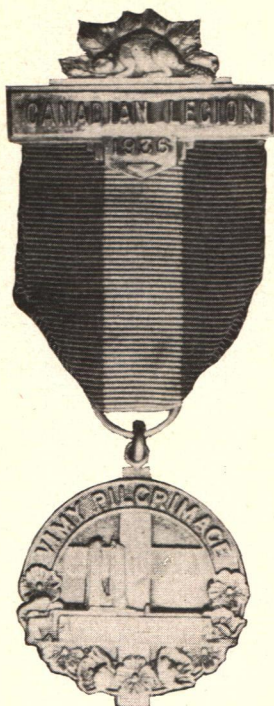
and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

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CANADIAN LEGION VIMY PILGRIMAGE MEDAL

By W. E. Marley, Toronto 4, Canada

In the April, 1941, issue of *The Numismatist* there was published an illustrated article under the heading "Canada's National War Memorial Medal." This contained a detailed account of the magnificent memorial designed and erected



under the supervision of Walter S. Allward, Canadian architect and sculptor. The article also explained the symbolism embodied in the memorial. The medal fully described was of bronze and struck in France and is believed to be the gift of French veterans to their Canadian comrades. With the publication of this article the writer fully intended to write up the Canadian Legion Vimy Pilgrimage Medal, but the second World War and other exigencies has delayed the numismatic record until now, 18 years after its issue to the 6,000 pilgrims who crossed the Atlantic and were

present on Vimy Ridge, July 26th, 1936, to witness the ceremony of unveiling the memorial. This was performed by King Edward VIII, now the Duke of Windsor.

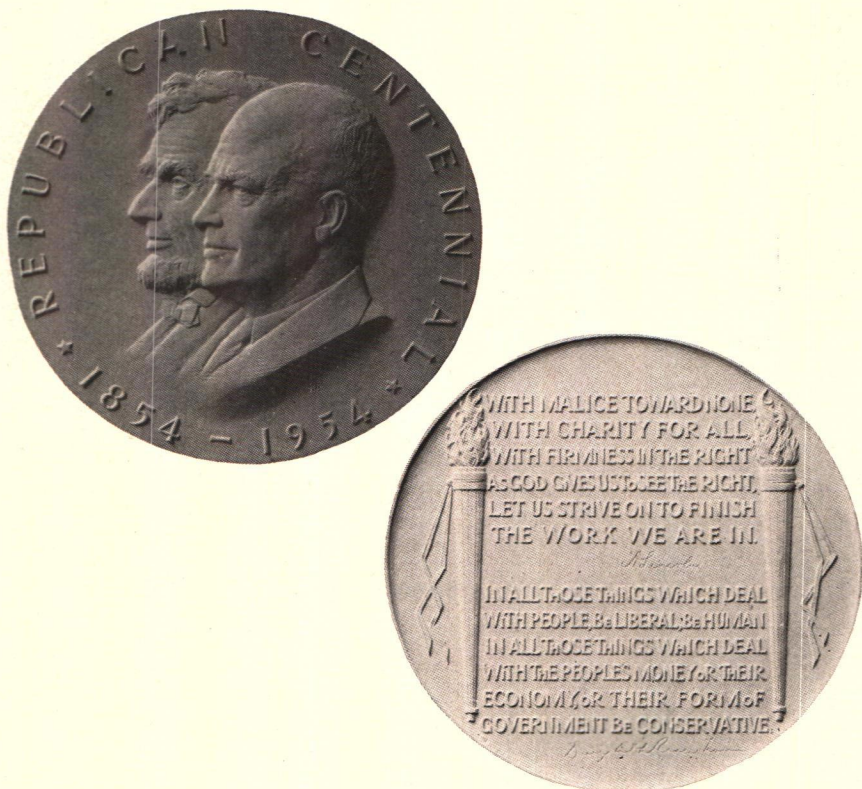
The medal is of white metal and depicts the Memorial superimposed on a cross, around the bottom half of the circumference is a wreath of poppies and around the top is the legend VIMY PILGRIMAGE. The top of the cross has a link and suspension ring that holds the folded blue and yellow ribbon. The bar-brooch is inscribed CANADIAN LEGION and beneath 1936 surmounted with a cluster of Maple Leaves and a Beaver. The name J. R. Gaunt is incused on the back. The medal is of very pleasing appearance and indicated from the inclusion of the Cross and Poppies into the design it can be assumed that the designer had in mind the immortal poem "In Flanders Field" by Lt. Col. John McCrae, M.D.

It might be apropos at this time, looking back in retrospect, to mention a few of the outstanding events in connection with the pilgrimage that gave much pleasure and satisfaction to those who participated. Although the object of the pilgrimage was a solemn one, many friendly contacts were made on the voyage, when rank and class distinctions were either left behind or thrown overboard at embarkation. The colonel and private, officer's wife and private's mother met on common ground—to pay homage to comrades and loved ones who gave their lives for a cause in which they believed. The garden party at Buckingham Palace and the informality of meeting the King and Royal Family made a reaffirmation of loyalty absolutely unnecessary.

The hospitality of the French people during the five days the pilgrims were their guests will never be forgotten. In the stupendous task of organization, which included the chartering of six ocean liners, hotel reservations, etc., the Canadian Legion left nothing to be desired.

REPUBLICAN CENTENNIAL MEDALLION

This medallion was struck from a model made by Gilroy Roberts, noted Philadelphia sculptor, and commemorates the hundredth anniversary of the Republican party. One was presented to Pres. Eisenhower and another to Vice President Nixon, both of 14k gold, 2½" in diameter, and about 3/16" thick. They were made by the Medallion Art Co., New York, N. Y.



The obverse bears portraits of Lincoln and Eisenhower. On the reverse are these quotations:

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in." — *A. Lincoln*.

"In all those things which deal with people, be liberal, be human; in all those things which deal with the people's money or their economy or their form of government be conservative." — *Dwight D. Eisenhower*.

One hundred and seventy-five years ago Congress issued the last of the Continental Currency, in amount \$10,000,140, making a total issue authorized since June, 1775, of \$241,552,780.

Uncle Sam's "Money Laboratory"

By Harry M. Schwalb, Science Editor

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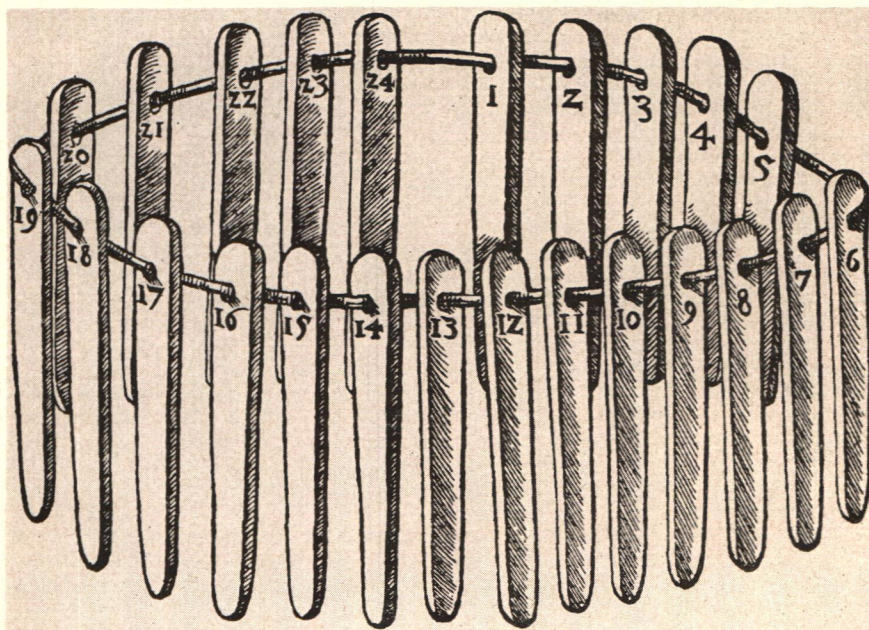
Night after night, lights burn in the little known laboratory under the roof of the Treasury Building in the capital city of the planet's chief republic. The Good Book may have called the love of money the root of all evil, but men have discovered that a handful of coins and bills is easier to carry around than, say, a herd of cattle. Today money is perhaps the most indispensable of all the tools of modern life. And the night lights that spell special activity behind the locked doors of the U. S. Government's "money laboratory" have a meaning to societies

thousands of miles from the huge granite building at Pennsylvania and 15th Street in Washington, D.C.

Item: global logistics brings a metals shortage to the Fiji Islanders, threatening to wipe out the economy of that Pacific paradise. The laboratory answer: coins made from expended artillery shells.

For the liberated population of another land, Washington researchers quickly create (and even devise analytical methods for) coins from forks and spoons.

And when an SOS comes through from a place called Oak Ridge for



Touchstone today means "criterion of quality." To Greek and Renaissance money chemists, it meant an actual instrument for nondestructive testing of coins. Coins were rubbed on the flint-like stone, and color of streak was compared with that left on stone by one of 24 standard needles made up of known amounts of gold, silver and copper.

material to build giant electrical conductors, these same Bureau of the Mint chemists test and dispatch—in place of strategic copper—over 14,000 tons of pure Treasury silver. This is one instance where bullion will literally contribute to the output of a decisive war weapon while fulfilling its statutory duty as “reserve behind the national currency.”

The date of these events is, of course, World War II. At the present moment, in fact, money chemists are engaged in the herculean task of re-analyzing the 29,348,000 pounds of loaned silver now flowing back from the Atomic Energy Commission. Wartime merely emphasizes the money laboratory's role in the development and control of the precious stuff that, from an executive suite in Wall Street to a Fiji hut, makes the world go round.

Not too many people know, for example, that the chemists under the roof of the Treasury Building once helped decide the fates of such varied phenomena as Frank Sinatra, a bottle of Coca-Cola, that phone call to Mom, and the Automat's ham sandwich.

Reason: jukeboxes, Coke machines, and the millions of other vending devices in the United States use an ejector which differentiates between coins by means of electrical conductance. The most important coin in this field (at least, before post-World War II inflation) was the five cent piece, a concoction of 25% nickel, 75% copper.

Suddenly the chemists were asked to produce a nonstrategic nickel-less nickel that would still form a satisfactory coin (i.e., be resistant to both wear and counterfeiting) and also have the same electrical properties as the original coin.

So delicately adjusted, electrically-speaking, are the vending machines that they have always rejected 2% of even the good coins—those OKed by the Treasury as meeting alloy tolerances for coinage purposes! Small wonder the presidents of the multimillion dollar soft drink industry were coming down with ulcers just thinking about the

havoc that would be caused by the new five cent monster in progress.

After months of intensive research, the money chemists unveiled a nickel of about 35% silver (always a plentiful item) and 56% copper, with the high conductivity of these two “diluted” with 9% of low-conducting manganese. It not only passed vending tests with flying colors but it cut down on copper, too.

There is no reason, of course, why peculiar problems should not occasionally befall the Mint chemists who in one year controlled the quality of the 2.6 billion domestic and 1.4 billion foreign coins produced in the U. S., and their laboratory colleagues at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing who last year did the same for \$255,046,498,993 in bills. The evolution of money has introduced quite a few peculiarities along the way.

The very first standard of exchange, for example, walked on its own four legs: cattle. And since wealth in the cattle world has always been counted per capita—by the head—a man's savings (if any) are still called his “capital.”

Cattle gave way to the handy electrum (20% gold-80% silver) coins of Lydia, in Asia Minor, about 700 B.C. Despite the introduction of metal coinage, however, such things as salt long retained their value as money—and because Caesar's legionnaires were given money to buy salt, as part of their pay, one still hears, at least once a month, the magic word “salary.”

Among the exotic species of money still in use are elephant tails in the Congo (one tail=one slave, 50 bristles=\$1.50) and “money trees” in Malaya. Here tin is cast in the form of a tree, which is broken off, leaf by leaf, or by twigs, branches and trunk, as the need arises!

Actually, it is hard to name a commodity that has not been used as money; now uranium is being urged, in some sources, as an international monetary standard to replace silver and gold. Reasoning: atomic fission can convert at least part of any mass of uranium directly into energy, and energy—the ability



Method for silver developed by French Mint's Gay-Lussac over 100 years ago is still used by U. S. chemists.

to do work — is a more logical basis of economic value than any property possessed by the "precious" metals. Money chemists point out, however, that uranium's hardness and the ease with which it oxidizes preclude its use in actual coins.

The first coin authorized by the infant United States government in 1787 was the so-called Fugio ("I fly") cent, with its trenchant slogan "Mind Your Business" reflecting the touch of Benjamin Franklin. A more spiritual note appeared in 1864 when Reverend Watkinson of Ridleyville, Pennsylvania, dashed off a letter to Secretary of the Treasury Salmon P. Chase urging that something be done about our impious money which seldom bore more inscription than "Liberty." Chase's answer: "In God We Trust," which first appeared on the bronze two cent piece and has been on U. S. coins ever since.

A good bit of trust is also placed today on the Treasury chemists, who run analyses on a representative number of coins from every lot made at the Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco mints; today no new batch can be released anywhere until the control chemists wire an OK for the assay.

Treasury chemists still use essentially the method developed by 18th century researcher Joseph Louis Gay-Lussac for the French mint, but they have made a science of adding precise quantities of nitric

acid and of salt solution to the chopped-up bits of coins. Reason the reagent quantities can be pinpointed in advance is that the probable assay of the coin under analysis — a dime, a quarter, a half dollar — is, of course, well known.

Result: at the conclusion of the analysis, when the operator squirts one milliliter of salt solution into each bottle in the row of samples, he can — simply by observing the density of the cloud formed in the bottle — determine the silver in the coin sample to a hundredth of one percent.

Even the gross physical tests run by the chemists in the Treasury Building are important.

For example, take the simple test to see that each sample coin has a milled edge extending above the surface of the design features and especially above the date. The "undated" quarters that a few scary people thought were spirited into this country by the Nazis as part of a sabotage plot are now sometimes called Russian Quarters. These, *The Laboratory* is happy to report, are honest-to-goodness U. S. 25-cent pieces whose dates were inadvertently elevated above the protecting edge and thus were the first things to rub off. No Moscow plot here.

The laboratories of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing across the spacious tree-lined Mall from the Treasury Building help govern the production of some 4800 men and women whose pleasant job it is, on a floor space equal to 25 acres, to turn out mountains of paper money in denominations of \$1 to \$100, and a variety of other items from the ½¢ postage stamp to the \$1,000,000 Certificate of Indebtedness (which is a powerful lot of indebtedness).

Much of the work done in the Bureau's laboratories centers around the fact that American money undergoes a special manufacturing process which makes U. S. currency among the clearest and sharpest examples of the engraver's art in the world.

An example of this is the "intaglio" process, which means making

engravings whose incised designs are depressed below the surface of a metal plate so that an impression from it yields an image in relief. Unique feature of official currency production is that the paper on which the relief impression is made by the plates is wet.

Until recently, this wet intaglio process meant that the paper had to undergo a variety of steps as intricately timed as a dance spectacle by the Radio City Rockettes. Preliminary to printing, the blank paper was run through wetting machines, then put away—like cheese—to “season.” Next the backs of the notes were printed on power presses, and Kraft papers hand-inserted between each sheet to keep the ink in the various layers of the freshly printed currency from rubbing onto other sheets.

Then came drying, removing the papers, storing the sheets, rewetting, printing the faces, adding new

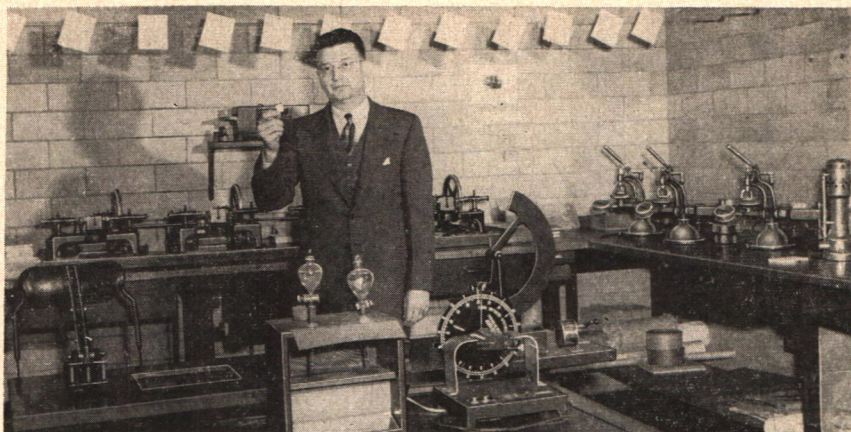
papers by hand between the freshly printed wet sheets; finally redrying, removing the papers, and passing the sheets through a special sizing solution to lengthen their life and make them more resistant to dirt, wear, and oily palms.

That was before the Laboratory Revolution. Now researchers at the Bureau have completed a project that saves a cool \$5,000,000 a year and the labor of some 1200 workers. An important part of this project was the development of “non-offsetting” green and black inks for U.S. money. Probably the only inks in the world which perform this function, these marvels of modern chemistry permit the wet inked surfaces of the sheets of money to lie in piles without the need for hordes of standers-by to insert protective papers.

Another important research development here was the versatile little printing press that uses two



Curly as a pig's tail is the wetted paper sample in the U. S. money lab. Speed of curling, then uncurling, is recorded. This reveals how well paper will take water in the wetting operation peculiar to manufacture of U. S. money.



Even tiny stamp takes a big licking in Bureau of Engraving's seldom-seen testing lab, an ultra-modern humidified and air-conditioned room. Over Chemist K. W. Stroad's head, samples of currency paper hang drying; about him, are some of the dozens of instruments that test paper for folding (paper money must withstand 2200 double folds), bursting, tearing, tensile strength, opacity, softness, stiffness — to name a few.

engraved plates shaped in the form of a cylinder to print stamps on continuous rolls of paper. It inks and polishes the plates, prints the impression, dries the stamps, gums them, dries the gum—and winds the finished product into a roll!

It is because of these stamps, by the way, that Bureau chemists also double as taste-testers: specifications require that the gum on a U. S. postage stamp must be tasteless.

If new Bureau chemists ever yearn for a more positive goal—one that will permit them to put their ingenuity to work on flavored glues—they quickly remember to leave well enough alone; Congress would probably be flooded at once with New England demands for maple syrup flavored stamps, while California would demand intimations of the sun kissed orange. . . .

All in all, scores of different properties of paper money and stamps are tested here, from the individual pigment particles in the Bureau's home-made (and well guarded) ink . . . to the dextrine content of the stamp adhesive . . . to the resistance-to-fading of the printed products.

For an extra check, color match-

ing of pigments is made with a tiny chamber that reproduces daylight as seen at noon and at dusk, to make doubly sure that some lady in Cross Creek, Idaho, doesn't suddenly get the idea she's looking at a rare variant in a stamp and start a collector's stampede on the item.

Of course, the money chemists are also engaged in weighty long range studies. Current ones concern methods of making money last longer (nine months is still the average life expectancy of the dollar bill) and the production of spectrophotometric curves to assist the U. S. Secret Service in putting a definite finger on counterfeiters.

The Service has its hands full. The American dollar is now the favorite security of the harassed European: the refugee, the businessman, the international racketeer who pay premium prices in the Continental black markets for U. S. greenbacks are perfect targets for fake money men.

Hence the vigilance of Treasury paper-and-ink analysts, and the importance of the rigid specifications on paper currency. One is the opacity test (in genuine bills, tiny pin-

points of light can be seen under the microscope; in counterfeit notes these are either absent or fewer in number). Genuine currency paper, too, shows a true violet fluorescence while phony paper is lighter or darker when viewed under ultraviolet.

Actually, so thorough are today's analyses of counterfeit paper (the quantity of wood fiber and rag present) and of counterfeit methods of manufacture, that chemists can frequently identify the workmanship of known counterfeiters — without leaving the laboratory.

Occasionally a citizen may start a flurry over a strangely yellow

dollar bill he's discovered. Chances are that Mom has sent the bill to the laundry in one of his shirts, and that the chrome green in the bill's ink formulation has been changed by the alkaline reaction of the soap.

Much of the day-to-day work of the money chemists consists of meeting such little crises as this. Still, all in all, they like their work; there is one aspect to the "chemistry of money" that makes it an appealing profession. As one veteran chemist puts it: "You know, it's nice being connected with a product that year after year the customers seem to want."

AN INTERESTING FIND IN CANADIAN BROKEN BANKNOTES

By Melvin E. Came, A.N.A. 16072, Dover, N. H.

The writer recently had the good fortune to obtain a few specimens of a very interesting set of obsolete bank notes of Canada. They are of the Bank of Brantford which is well known and quite common amongst Canadian paper money collectors. What is unusual about these notes is that they are issued for the Sault Ste. Marie branch, which was never in operation. They are unsigned and dated 1859 and as far as can be ascertained, about 100 sets are known to be in existence. The branch never received a charter.

The notes are light salmon in color and depict either rural or transportation scenes and are in denominations of \$1, \$2, \$4, and \$5. All are uniface. The four dollar note is without question the most interesting, not because of the odd denomination but because one of the most prominent engravers of his time, James D. Smillie, placed his name in a very clever manner upon the note. Very few would ever recognize it as a signature. Not many of the vignettes of the 19th century banknotes are signed by the engraver. The signatures are usually placed in an obscure place so as not

to be prominent. In fact, most of them are difficult to locate and cannot be seen without the aid of a glass.

Note carefully across the buildings on the center vignette of the \$4 note these block letters, "FLOUR MILL & STORES STORE J. D. SMIL." The right portion of the complete vignette was undoubtedly left off of this note, so that not all of the engraver's name shows. However, the vignette closely resembles others having his complete signature and is indeed, very clever.

The American Bank Note Company was formed in 1858 by the consolidation of several smaller banknote companies. Since this note bears the printed date Nov. 1st, 1859, it was one of the early notes of American. Probably all three vignette plates had been engraved for one or more of the predecessor companies.

This is just an example as to why the collecting of Canadian legal tender as well as obsolete notes is so fascinating. There is so much to be done in this field, so many unlisted varieties, unknowns, patterns, etc., that new discoveries are frequently made.

DECEMBER, 1954



Canadian four dollar note

Notes & Queries

Season's Greetings

The staff of *The Numismatist* wishes all of you **A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

ELSTON G. BRADFIELD

STUART MOSHER

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San Diego Banquet

The San Diego Numismatic Society will hold its 18th annual banquet and installation of officers on Saturday, January 22, 1955 at 7 p.m. in the San Diego Woman's Club, 2557 Third Avenue, San Diego, Calif. The speaker will be Don Sherer, Phoenix, Ariz., of the A.N.A. Board of Governors. Coin displays and entertainment will be featured.

Tickets are \$3. Reservations with remittances may be sent to the Secretary, Francis S. Jones, 120 Upas St., San Diego 3, Calif.

Medal Exhibit

A loan exhibit of the Malcolm Storer Collection of naval medals of the world belonging to the United States Naval Academy Museum will be shown at the home of Capt. and Mrs. Joseph E. M. Wood, USN (Ret) from October 23 to December 31. The address is No. 1 Old Crossing Lane, at end of Giddings Avenue, Annapolis, Md.

Spring Meeting for N.Y.C. Clubs

A regional meeting, the Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention, will be held in New York May 6, 7, 8, 1955, at the Park Sheraton Hotel. The convention will be conducted by the nine metropolitan coin clubs and the committee will consist of the nine club presidents with Vernon Brown as convention chairman.

Planned are a Saturday night banquet, Friday night and Saturday afternoon auctions, dealers' bourse, with ample display cases for exhibits.

For added information write Vernon L. Brown, Chase National Bank, 13 Broad St., New York City, or Emanuel Taylor, Industrial Container Corp., 2nd Ave. and 50th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Four-Strike Cent?

Dear Sir:

Did you ever see or hear of a four-strike coin like this? It is a Lincoln cent, almost uncirculated, and I think the date is 1949-S. While looking over more than 2,300,000 cents I found this



one, only eight 1909-S V.D.B. and nine 1914-D. I have several three-strike coins but this is the first four-strike to come to my attention.

— G. J. JORDAN,
3326 Imperial
Lynwood, Calif.

Central African Currency and Banking

The Central African Currency Board will establish a central bank for the Central African Federation in two or three years' time. The Board does not propose to issue currency notes of its own, but will maintain the notes of Southern Rhodesia as the circulating medium for the Federation. Federal coinage will be introduced in 1956. British coinage, now legal tender in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, will be demonetized in these territories on January 1, 1955.—*Cape Times*, Cape Town, Union of South Africa, August 7, as reported in the *International Financial News Survey*, September 17.

Chicago Honors Charter Members

The Chicago Coin Club held its annual banquet and auction in the La-Salle Hotel, Chicago, on Oct. 30 and 31, at the same time the Central States Numismatic Society's Board of Governors met. The latter conducted its interim meeting Sunday morning, with Pres. C. C. Shroyer in the chair.

What was formerly a one-day event has now become a two-day affair patronized this year by over 300 mid-western numismatists from 11 states. They assembled to view fine exhibits, vie for merit blue ribbons, buy and sell coins, make new acquaintances and renew old friendships. Representing eight states were 20 bourse dealers. James Kelly of Dayton handled a 767 lot public auction on Saturday afternoon. Theodore Pokorney was banquet chairman.

Winners of the coveted blue ribbons for exhibits were C. Sam Carlson, Clyde L. Grimm, I. T. Kopicki, Lewis M. Reagan, and Arlie Slabaugh. The awards were made to the five best exhibits and no attempt was made to place them in order of first, second, etc.

Highlight of the banquet, attended by 136 members and friends, was the presentation of engraved, enameled membership cards, indicating in effect honorary life membership, to the seven active charter members of the club in recognition of their 35 years service to the organization. They have seen the club grow from 33 members in 1919, the year of its formation, to its present membership of 224. Pres. Clyde L. Grimm presented the cards to Mr. and Mrs. J. Henri Ripstra and Ernest Jonas in person, and *in absentia* to George H. Blake, Treasurer Emeritus of the A.N.A. of Port Washington, N. Y., M. P. Carey of

Los Angeles, Calif., George F. Brown of Pasadena, Calif., and B. Max Mehl of Fort Worth, Texas. Also present was the club's first secretary, Marie A. Naerup.

"Add Dollar to Proof Sets," Says Detroit

The Detroit Coin Club has joined the American Numismatic Association in urging the Director of the United States Mint to consider including silver dollars in the proof sets of 1955 and thereafter.

Lehigh Valley's Annual Exhibit

The 15th annual banquet and exhibit was held Oct. 21, at the American Legion Post Home in Hellertown, Pa. Ninety-five members and guests were present. The invocation was pronounced by the Rev. David Gearhart of Hellertown. After an excellent turkey and ham dinner, Pres. Morgan Strohl welcomed the members and their guests. Entertainment was provided by the Chordblenders from Nazareth.

Certificates for exhibits were awarded to the following: Morgan E. Strohl, Allentown, for uncirculated commemorative half dollars; Robert H. Ackerman, Allentown, for a type set of U. S. silver dollars; Kenneth B. Lobb, Pen Argyle, for U. S. large cents; Robert Carlson, Bethlehem, for circulated U. S. silver coins; Arthur E. Carlson, Bethlehem, for the largest display of U. S. coins half cents to dollars; Warren C. Fritchman, Hellertown, for a type set of U. S. coins; Elwood Rauch, Allentown, for U. S. half cents; Samuel J. Heiney, Allentown, for a set of Lincoln cents; Alphonso Derr, Allentown, for a set of U. S. cents; Kenneth C. Freeze, Lehigh, for a collection of bronze medals of the U. S. secretaries of the treasury; Byron Godshall, Easton, for a collection of paper and cloth notgeld; Henry W. Worman, sets of Canadian cents, nickels and dimes; Claude C. Eckert, Allentown, for an extensive display of U. S. paper money; Ellsworth Lewis, Allentown, for a collection of proof and uncirculated U. S. coins, cents to half dollars; Luther J. Deck, Allentown, for medals, proof and mint sets of coins of Queen Elizabeth II.

Alfred M. Kerner was chairman and committee members were Henry W. Worman, Ario P. Reinert, Warren W. Roberts, and Robert H. Ackerman.

Rochester Museum Honored

Memorial plaques were presented to the Rochester Museum of Arts & Sciences on September 26th by the Rochester Numismatic Association. Floyd B. Newell, George J. Bauer and Alphonse A. Kolb made the presentation.

The plaques are of bronze, nine inches in diameter and are the work

Giesey gave an illustrated talk on "Medallic Histories, Especially in France."

Price Lists

The Copley Coin Co., 581 Boylston St., Boston, Mass., offers California and U. S. gold, as well as other U. S. coins, hard times tokens and Canadian coins in the November price list.



ROCHESTER MUSEUM PLAQUES

of the Rochester sculptor and medalist, Alphonse A. Kolb. Mr. Kolb is the medalist who is responsible for the fine work on the presidential medals of the past presidents of the Rochester Numismatic Association. He also has done medallic work for the American Numismatic Association.

ANS Opens Second Exhibit Room

The second of its reconstructed exhibition rooms was opened by the American Numismatic Society on November 13. Henry Grunthal spoke briefly on medallic art as reflected in the new exhibits and Dr. Ralph E.

James, Inc., 300 W. Main St., Louisville, Ky., has issued its 48 page 1955 catalog of paper money, U. S. and foreign coins, numismatic books and supplies.

Kosoff's *Coin Bulletin*, October issue, is off the press. This is No. 2 and contains freak banknotes, U. S. coins, gold, commemoratives and antiques. P. O. Box 456, Encino, Calif.

The List No. 2 of Harry C. Mathews, 921 Bergen Ave., Jersey City 6, N. J., has rolls, proof and mint sets, U. S. silver and minor coins, Mexican 8 reales, and books.

Benjamin B. DuBose is wintering in Florida (P.O. Box 289, Miami 2),

and is offering paper money, documents, coins, medals, bonds, and curios for sale.

Lauren Benson's foreign price list No. 6, 4p. mimeo., is at hand.

Bebée's 1955 bargain price list of U. S. and foreign coins, colonials and paper money, numismatic books and supplies, is off the press.

New Club in Waukegan, Ill.

Coin collectors living in the vicinity are invited to visit the new Lake County Coin Club which meets the first Tuesday of each month in the Waukegan, Ill., Y. M. C. A. The club was activated in June and has had four meetings since then. The secretary is S. T. Shaft.

Los Angeles Banquet

Pres. W. R. Fanning announces that the Los Angeles Coin Club's annual banquet and installation of officers will be at Scully's restaurant, 48th St. and Crenshaw Blvd. on Saturday, January 15, 1955. William H. Spence, 1656 S. Stanley Ave., Los Angeles 19, Calif., is secretary.

Edmonton Issues Plastic Token

A plastic token, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the city, has been issued by Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. They are being sold at 20 cents each by the Edmonton Coin Club. Send requests to Jack Murray, 10314 82nd St., Edmonton.

Auctions Closed

Oct. 25. R. Green's mail auction of proof gold sets, proof sets in silver, copper and nickel, other U. S. coins and paper money.

Oct. 30-Nov. 1. James Kelly's public and mail bid auction at the Chicago Coin Club's annual meeting. Plate catalog listed 4672 lots of a wide variety of numismatic material.

Nov. 13-14. Penn-Ohio Coin Club's auction, conducted by Michael Kolman, Jr. A plate catalog listed 1977 lots of U. S. and foreign coins.

Nov. 30. B. Max Mehl's mail bid sale of the Joseph C. Rovensky and L. W. Hoffecker collections. Plate catalog of 4045 lots of U. S. and foreign, colonials, gold.

MANA's auction was conducted by Imperial Coin Co., 1203 lots, from Oct. 22 to 24.

The Anderson Dupont collection of U. S. silver and copper coins, part II, closed Nov. 13. Stack's handled the sale. Plate catalog.

Bebée's third auction sale was conducted by mail and closed Nov. 17. Plate catalog.

Mansfield Stages Public Event

The Mansfield Stamp and Coin Club held a picnic and auction sale September 12 in Mansfield, Ohio. Several hundred visitors packed the 40 et 8 Club to participate in this event. Business was "brisk" in the bourse of 15 stamp and coin dealers. Zody Miller, Wooster, Ohio, handled a 293 lot auction. Spectators viewed the 49 exhibits with a great deal of interest. Guests were registered from 26 Ohio cities, and also from Indiana, Illinois and Michigan.

Bolivia to Mint Gold Coins

After the Bolivian government passed a decree on May 14, 1953, providing for the coinage of gold coins, the Central Bank of Bolivia solicited bids from various European and U. S. mints. Its order was finally placed with the Paris Mint, which agreed to deliver the coins to Bolivia within four months after the designs were submitted. It is now expected that gold pieces of varying weights and fineness will be placed in circulation shortly.

The objectives of the government in taking this measure are to provide a medium of saving, to promote gold production, and to give employment to miners and other sectors of the population. The Central Bank will exchange the new gold pieces for domestic gold that it may receive from the Mining Bank or from private individuals.

Travelers and tourists upon leaving Bolivia will be permitted to export the gold coins without restriction. This measure is expected to end contraband trade in Bolivian gold.—*El Diario*, La Paz, Bolivia, July 10, as reported in the *International Financial News Survey*.

Bad Check Artist

Claude Steinau of Louisville, Ky., advises coin dealers to be on the lookout for a man "possibly 50 years old, short and heavy, who may come in to purchase coins and give a check on a Omaha, Neb., bank. He will identify himself with cards and a driver's license. One of his approaches is to ask for Mexican 50 peso gold pieces. He is a very smooth talker and says he wants to take a coin home to his bedridden father who col-

lects coins." He is reported to have passed bad checks and to be sought by police.

New Army Scrip

For the fourth time since military certificates were first issued in September, 1946, the army recently changed the designs and issued an entirely new series for use at overseas bases by military and civilian personnel. Bearing vignettes of two female models, which caused one army man to refer to the currency as "very pretty cabbage," the scrip comes in 5, 10, 25 and 50 cent and \$1, \$5, and \$10 denominations. It is used in Austria, Belgium, Trieste, French Morocco, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Iwo Jima, Japan, Korea, Philippines, Okinawa, Great Britain and Yugoslavia.

What Others Publish

Hans Maurice Frederick Schulman, New York coin dealer, is profiled as "Coin Dealer to Kings" in the December issue of *Esquire* magazine. Since grandfather Jacques Schulman became a coin dealer in the Netherlands in 1880, the Schulmans have been prominent in the international numismatic scene. The article tells why Schulman, a former music publisher, entered the coin business in 1937, how he came to the United States shortly before the German invasion of the Netherlands, and how he was helped by Wayte Raymond, long-time friend of his father, who, along with Hans' mother, was executed by the Nazis. Arthur D. Morse, the author, writes that now Schulman's clients "include such diverse gentlemen as Faizullah Khan of the Punjab, Pakistan; Father Laan, a missionary in Uganda, East Africa; and Bhakta Bahadur who hails from Khatmandu, Nepal. Whatever their background, wealth or social position, they are linked by a common passion - numismatics. . . .

"To know coins," says Schulman, "is to know history, the arts, politics, the rise and fall of empires. Consider Rome. When the Roman Empire was in its glory its coins celebrated abundance, equity, health and providence. They were made of the highest grade silver, the inscriptions were clear and the design sharp. As Rome collapsed, the metal became poorer, the inscription and design were careless and military motifs became more and more stereotyped."

Reference is also made to Howard D. Gibbs, Pittsburgh collector of odd and curious money and the story of his acquisition of rare and genuine Solomon Islands feather money is related.

MANA News, Oct., 1954, features a short skit by Mildred Sherry; program notes and details of the convention; a short piece on the Pine Tree shilling, and "Unique American Coins" by Walter Breen. The latter undertakes to list some of the owners of major U. S. rarities in the colonial, state and early American coins, some half cents and cents, and a few gold pieces.

The *Numismatic Scrapbook* for Oct. 20 has an article on "Subject Index of Adam's Photographs in Hetrich and Gutttag 'Civil War Tokens and Tradersmen's Cards'" by M. and G. Fuld and E. H. Davis; reprint from 1953 mint report on coinage cost reduction; W. J. McKinney's continued series on commemoratives; Ed Weikert's Washington news report; Col. James Curtis "Tetradrachms of Ancient Egypt" continuation; C. M. Fink "The Cent That Changed Its Face"; Earl Brown's "Numismatic Menagerie"; John Dav-enport's "German Talers" instalment, and news items.

Canadians Criticize New Currency

Both art critics and the public say the new Canadian currency is faulty and mediocre in design, is clumsily printed, has too much sky in the prairie scenes, and claim the portrait does not look like the queen, according to Eugene Griffin, Chicago *Tribune's* Canadian correspondent. The portrait will be retained, however, because it is "safe," the government has decided. Finance Minister Walter Harris said in a letter to the Art Directors club of Montreal that the criticized picture was selected because it had not been reproduced before and that "dominating considerations in currency design are safety and efficiency, and comments from authoritative sources elsewhere have confirmed that the new Canadian note is among the safest in the world."

Beg Your Pardon

James Ruehrmund's address (November *Numismatist*, p. 1202) should have been 1312 Sheppard St., Norfolk, Va.

Two hundred and twenty-five years ago Benjamin Franklin published his *Modest Enquiry into the Nature and Necessity of a Paper Currency*.

THE TOKEN COLLECTOR'S PAGE

By Melvin and George Fuld

5610 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore 9, Maryland

This page is devoted to American store cards, war tokens, and similar metallic pieces. Its purpose is to illustrate and describe the many interesting pieces that are so little known to most present day collectors. In some instances the pieces are illustrated for the first time and a special effort is made to include the early issues that have never been listed elsewhere. Collectors who are able to supply additional information on any of the cards published are cordially invited to do so.

New York, N. Y.

Obverse: DAVID C. BUCHAN NEW YORK around edge. In center three lines CORNER OF NORTHMORE & GREENWICH ST.



Reverse: MANUFACTURER OF CURLED, MAPLE & FANCY CHAIRS around edge. In field a chair.

Brass. Size 17½. Plain edge No. 1. Border No. 5. Adams N. Y. 137 rare. Not in Wright. Raymond 10.

An unusual advertising piece of early vintage with incorrect spelling of street name which accounts for its rarity. Adams likewise lists the same piece N. Y. 138 as silvered.

N.Y.-149.33.1-SC-14-Br-17½-pe1.bd5-r6

N.Y.-149.33.1-SC-14-BrSp-17½-pe1.bd5-r7

Obverse: DAVID C BUCHAN NEW YORK around edge. In center three lines CORNER OF NORTHMOORE & GREENWICH ST.

Reverse: MANUFACTURER OF CURLED, MAPLE & FANCY CHAIRS around edge. In field a chair.

Brass. Size 17½. Plain edge No. 1. Border No. 5. Adams N. Y. 139 rare. Not in Wright. Raymond 11.



Same as piece above only spelling of street NORTHMOORE. "These two cards are the same type as the Wm. H. Mott tokens and must date about 1831." Raymond's *Early N.Y.C. Merchants Tokens*.

N.Y.-149.33.2-SC-14-Br-17½-pe1.bd5-r6

New York, N. Y.

Obverse: H & M KAYSER & CO. NEW YORK around edge. IMPORTERS OF FANCY GOODS in three lines in center.



Reverse: NO NORTH NO SOUTH ONE FLAG ONE UNION. Eagle with spread wings and shield on breast. Laurel branch in left claw and three arrows in right with star beneath.

Brass and lead. Size 14. Plain edge No. 1. Border No. 6. Similar to Adams N Y 409, rare 410 rare. Not listed in Wright.

This piece in brass was listed in Woodward's 67th sale catalog No. 2554, listed in *Coin Collectors Journal* 1885. This is no doubt a piece issued in 1860 when the talk of secession was high.

The die work is sharp with the legend being in block letters. Adams N Y 409 and 410 lists the obverse but lists reverse as Eagle on rock which may be an error in proofreading. Adams did not list the size of the pieces so we can only surmise they are the same, as the authors have never seen the piece with the rock. N.Y.-149.104.1-SC-17-Br-14-pe1.bd6-r7
N.Y.-149.104.1-SC-17-Br-14-pe1.bd6-r7

New York, N. Y.

Obverse: PHILIP A. DOUGHERTY 1859 around edge. In center Indian head to left.



Reverse: GOOD FOR 6 CTS in four lines within a wreath.

Size 12. Metal: Lead with copper face. Plain edge No. 1. Border No. 1. Adams N.Y. 210, scarce.

This is an electrotype similar to other pieces struck in this period. The Indian head is similar to the U. S. cents of this period. Dougherty's establishment was located on the southwest corner of south and Maiden Lane. The piece was rare in 1885. N.Y.-149.515.1-SC-16-ElCu/Pb-12-pl
bd1-r7

Copper Quiz

Answers

1. The nickel containing 57.87 grains of copper against 33.60 grains in our current cent. (Since 1944.)
2. Sweden with its copper plate money.
3. About 10 percent.
4. The Roman Republic around 300 B.C.
5. As they contain 10 percent copper you would get 2 pounds.
6. China, with its copper one cash pieces.
7. Because the English police once wore large shiny copper buttons on their uniforms.
8. California.
9. United States of America.
10. Northerners who sympathized with the Confederates.
11. Copper.
12. The copper or bronze age.
13. Steel cent of 1943.
14. Two pence of 1797.
15. Silver 3-cent pieces of 1851-1853.
16. cu.
17. 1815.
18. Yes.
19. Aes, Sestertius, Dupondius, Quadrans, Follis, Semis.
20. \$2,500 paid by Henry Hines for a U. S. cent of 1799.

GRIMM, KOPICKI SELECTED

Clyde L. Grimm of Oak Park, Ill., Chicago Coin Club president, has been appointed general chairman of the 1956 A.N.A. convention. I. T. Kopicki, Chicago, is chairman of National Coin Week for 1955.

NOTES FROM YOUR LIBRARIAN

Mrs. D. Dee DeNise, 139 East 116th St., Seattle 55, Wash.

Last month when I sent my notes, I was en route to the California State Numismatic Association Convention, and I told you that I would describe some new arrivals in the Library more fully this month. Many of you had an extra long wait for the books you ordered, and my vacation explains this also. This was the first vacation my husband and I have taken together since the Library was moved here three years ago, because he has always stayed home and taken care of orders while I attended the A.N.A. Convention. I am still behind a little because 52 orders came in while we were away two weeks, plus, of course, four or five a day ever since we returned.

I remember telling you last month about a new member, almost 83 years old, who started to borrow books as soon as he joined. We are so sorry to report the death of this gentleman, Ernest G. Laubenheimer, Ringoes, N. J., Oct. 23. From his letter I gathered that he was enjoying his new hobby and his association with us and regretted he had not become interested sooner.

We purchased three small books last month, one of them because it was written by Ervin Felix, former owner of the Seattle Stamp and Coin Store. It is called HOW TO COLLECT STAMPS, COINS AND PAPER MONEY and is a sizable volume for sale at your magazine dealer's. It is elementary on coins but excellent for beginners, and best of all, it costs only 75c. You can borrow it from the Library, if you wish (F-37). The other two purchases were a Seaby reprint DESIGNERS AND ENGRAVERS OF THE ENGLISH MILLED COINAGE by Peter Alan Rayner, 26 pp, 1954, (R-78). This covers coinage from Charles II to Elizabeth II, 1662-1953. Also Arthur W. Waters' NOTES ON EIGHTEENTH CENTURY TOKENS (British). This book has 53 pages and is W-67.

George H. Becht of Franklin Square, New York, sent a real surprise package. Most of his donation was books of which we had but a single copy. Duplicates were needed. The package also contained Beistle's HALF DOLLAR DIE VARIETIES (B-1), Sigler's NUMISMATIC BIBLIOGRAPHY (S-117), and Joseph Coffin's COIN COLLECTING (C-29). Included were

duplicate copies of the Wayne Raymond series of the *Coin Collector's Journal*, 1952-1954.

From June Pond has come duplicate copies of her late husband's works. Shepard Pond was an authority on French coinage, and THE PIASTRE DECAEN (P-21) and THE ASSIGNATS (P-27) are borrowed frequently.

James Johnston, Abilene, Texas donated a copy of H. P. Newlin's THE EARLY HALF DIMES (N-6). I sent this out the day it arrived because our only other copy had two reserves waiting.

Kurt Prober's book, THE NUMISMATIC HISTORY OF GUATEMALA is excellent (P-53). It has 158 pages, 21 full page plates, and is an edition limited to 200 copies. It is printed on beautiful paper, but it costs only \$3.50 in our money if purchased from the author.

F. W. MacKay of New York sent along one of those rare old collector's items, a three volume set, in French, of D'Aspect's HISTORY OF THE ROYAL MILITARY ORDER OF ST. LOUIS, published in 1780 (D-58). I can't review this for you, not because my French is rusty, but because my French just isn't. But the other book which Mr. MacKay sent us needs no reviewing because it is in English. It is Alan Hazelton's THE RUSSIAN IMPERIAL ORDERS (H-13). This was a monograph of the American Numismatic Society and you know that they do things up thoroughly. The color illustrations of the Russian Orders are superb.

Dr. John Lhotka of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine sent a copy of *The Laboratory* published by Fisher Scientific. This is Vol. 23, No. 5 and contains an article IT'S ONLY MONEY (F-36). This is a story of the Chemistry of money and of the work which goes on in a little known Laboratory under the roof of the Treasury building.

Carl Olander, Jr., donated a copy of the Mehl 1943 sale of the Grinnell collection of Gold, Silver and Copper coins, and Pioneer Gold, priced (M-73C).

Thomas P. Rockwell and Dr. Glenmore Clark, of North Andover, Mass., sent a copy of K-32, Bruno Kisch's COLLECTING MEDICAL COINS AND MEDALS, PLAGUES AND COINS, FAMINE AND FOOD PRO-

VISION IN NUMISMATICS, and SMALLPOX IN MEDALS. These four articles are contained in one copy of CIBA SYMPOSIA, and on the cover is an enlarged picture of a pestthaler issued at Joachimsthal and worn around the neck as a charm against the plague.

Dr. Mayer Hyman, of Tucson, Ariz. sent a copy of MEDICAL MEDALLIONS by Abraham Levinson (L-42). This has 34 pp. and is beautifully illustrated. I must quote a few lines from Dr. Hyman's letter: "The author was one of my attending men when I was an interne in Chicago some years ago. Even though he maintained a display of medals with a pediatrics slant in the waiting room of the Sarah Morris Hospital for Children, I didn't become interested in medals until five years after I left those beautiful specimens. Perhaps if I had become a pediatrician I would have become a numismatist at an earlier age!"

Michael Kolman forwarded the price lists for the A.N.A. convention sale catalog, 1954. Just ask for this by name, and if you do not want the catalog because you have one, just ask for the price list alone. If too many of you want to borrow this, we may have to limit the loan period to two weeks. However, that should be long enough to do the "research" work on the prices realized.

From J. Douglas Ferguson of Rock Island, Quebec, comes a copy of the Winter, 1950, *Canadian Banker*. This has a splendid article by C. S. Howard on CANADIAN BANKS AND BANKNOTES: A RECORD. Mr. Ferguson aided in the preparation of the article and many of the bills illustrated are from his collection (C-91). The article is 40 pages long.

And now to take our new honey-colored cocker spaniel "Pogo" for his evening stroll and mail these notes to ye editor!

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING SEPTEMBER 1954

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
SILVER					
Half dollars	\$ 8,356.00			\$ 8,356.00	16,712
Quarter dollars ...	374,178.00	\$ 675,680.50	\$ 320,000.00	1,369,858.50	5,479,434
Dimes	2,938,671.20			2,938,671.20	29,386,712
Total Silver ...	\$3,321,205.20	\$ 675,680.50	\$ 320,000.00	\$4,316,885.70	34,882,858
MINOR					
Five-cent pieces ..	\$ 116,435.00	\$ 366,400.00	\$ 858,400.00	\$1,341,235.00	26,824,700
One-cent pieces ...	31,867.00	20,850.00	290,900.00	343,617.00	34,361,700
Total Minor ...	\$ 148,302.00	\$ 387,250.00	\$1,149,300.00	\$1,684,852.00	61,186,400
Total Domestic Coinage	\$3,469,507.20	\$1,062,930.50	\$1,469,300.00	\$6,001,737.70	96,069,258

Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments - None

CUMULATIVE MINT REPORT FOR 1954, JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER

(Giving the number of pieces struck)

	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver
Half dollars, regular	13,296,255	4,993,400	25,445,580
Half dollars, commemorative *	12,006	122,024	12,006
Quarter dollars	39,842,255	4,350,722	38,924,000
Dimes	109,500,255	22,860,000	106,397,000
Five-cent pieces	47,794,150	29,384,000	69,835,060
One-cent pieces	53,320,150	38,440,000	158,920,000

*Booker T. Washington-George Washington Carver

A gold ingot, called a Hercules, was launched commercially by the First Banking Corporation of Tangier on April 14th, 1953. It is shaped like a thick coin, bears the assay stamp of the Royal Mint refinery in London and contains one Troy ounce of pure gold, 3 per cent more than the U. S. double eagle. It was traded in the first day at \$38.25 while the double eagle was \$44.50 and the 32 and 400 ounce ingots were \$37.25 per ounce.

Report of the General Secretary

Admission to Membership

Applications numbered 23048-23153 as published in the September issue have been admitted to membership.

Applicants for Membership

The following applications were received in October 1954. If there are no objections filed prior to January 1, 1955, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the February 1955 issue.

- 23237 **John Birtel, Jr.**, 314-5th Ave., SE., Minot, North Dakota. U. S. Coins. Arnold Thorson.
- 23238 **Donald L. Kaufman**, 15 Beverly St., Pittsfield, Mass. U. S. Better Material. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23239 **Louis J. Fattorosi**, 494 Johnstone St., Perth Amboy, New Jersey. Greek and Roman, H. Kels Swan.
- 23240 **George H. Suhr**, 9363 Samoline Ave., Downey, Calif. General. C. L. Hawley.
- 23241 **Walter A. Smigel**, 10 Melvin Ave., Cortland, New York. General. Benj. T. Preston.
- 23242 **Lawrence I. Goodman**, 227 E. Main St., Lexington, Kentucky. U. S. Coins and Silver Dollars. Casey Neuman, Larry Neuman.
- 23243 **Eldon E. Veirs**, 3419 So. Fairfax, Denver 22, Colo. Proofs and Current Mint Rolls. Dan Brown.
- 23244 **E. C. Sarvis**, P. O. Box 1012, Salina, Kans. Minor U. S. Coins. Floyd P. Hazelwood, Rex E. Wilson, Glen D. Johnson.
- 23245 **Sam Kahn**, 16601 Fernway Rd., Shaker Heights '20, Ohio. General. Michael Kolman, Jr., Edna E. Kolman.
- 23246 **Arthur V. Montgomery**, 2011 Sadler St., Houston 16, Texas. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23247 **Richard G. Young**, 1405 Osceola, St. Paul 5, Minn. U. S. General and Canadian. Dick Rudolph.
- 23248 **David J. Tamminga**, 11011 So. Parnell Ave., Chicago 28, Ill. Foreign-Modern. Lelf Ronning.
- 23249 **Harvey C. Winkel**, 3665 E. Plankinton Ave., Cudahy, Wisconsin. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23250 **Mrs. Preston Burd**, Middle Valley, New Jersey. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23251 **Russell Case**, 25 College St., Trenton 10, N. J. General. Saul Gilman, Walter R. Caines.
- 23252 **R. O. Freeman**, 1530 So. 10th, Fargo, N. Dakota. U. S. Coins. Arnold Thorson.
- 23253 **A. J. Flagg**, 4397 Detroit Ave., Oakland, Calif. U. S. Gold and Silver. Edward Fogler, Col. Chas. Steele.
- 23254 **Marvin Wein**, 900 Whittier Ave., Akron 2, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Wm. E. Jones, J. J. Barnett.
- 23255 **James R. L. Sullivan**, 869 Muskingum Ave., Pacific Palisades, Calif. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23256 **Dr. Jose A. Garcia**, P. O. Box 337, Vega Baja, Puerto Rico. American Coins. A. C. Bob Reuter.
- 23257 **Victor Rice, Jr.**, 69 Irvington Place, Trenton, N. Jersey. U. S. General. E. A. Rice, Victor J. Rice, Sr.
- 23258 **Willard P. Albitz**, 233 No. Figueroa, Los Angeles 12, Calif. U. S. Coins. S. M. Koepfel, Otto J. Van Heyde.
- 23259 **Paul E. Hilliard**, Fairmount City, Pa. General. A. E. Bebee.
- 23260 **Merle A. Wood**, Box 85, McGregor, Minn. U. S. Types, Indian heads and Paper Money. Louis H. Zepfler.
- 23261 **Wayne R. Hageman**, McGregor, Minn. General American. Louis H. Zepfler.
- 23262 **Siegfried Stiefel**, 2038 182nd St., Gardena, Calif. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23263 **Esta Wegner**, 2390 N. W. 34 St., Miami 42, Fla. U. S. General. S. L. McGranahan.
- 23264 **Miss Beverly Baehler**, 804½ E. 6th St., Tulsa, Okla. U. S. Coins. R. W. Small, Albert L. Pankey.
- 23265 **Louis S. Sanders**, 424 S. Beaver Ave., Freeport, Ill. Gold Coins. William J. Kirchberg.
- 23266 **Capt. James R. Dawley**, Box 208, Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. U. S. Dollars, Cents and Proofs. C. R. Dawley, L. E. Jones.
- 23267 **Fred Rowe**, 419 W. Vine St., Milwaukee 12, Wisconsin. U. S. Coins. Gale V. Highsmith.
- 23268 **Clarence E. Miller, Jr.**, 93 Durland Ave., Elmira, N. Y. U. S. General. W. O. White.
- 23269 **Edward C. Stothart, Jr.**, 116 Law Building, Charlotte 2, North Carolina. American Coins. Charles W. Upchurch, Jr.
- 23270 **Conrad F. Davies**, 4210 Groveland Ave., Baltimore 15, Maryland. U. S. Coins and Currency. C. E. McCormick, Orin C. Jennings.
- 23271 **G. L. Kuntz**, 8844 Amestoy Ave., Northridge, Calif. U. S. Coins. Bruce H. Tompkins.
- 23272 **Miss Lindora L. Yancey**, 617 Salinas, Laredo, Texas. Paper Money. Lewis M. Reagan.

- 23273 **Dr. John J. De Fries**, New Paris, Ind. U. S. Gold and Commemoratives. Malcolm O. E. Chell-Frost.
- 23274 **Jack Sherman**, 50 Christopher Ave., Brooklyn 12, N. Y. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23275 **Joseph E. Critzer**, 728 Mt. Holly St., Baltimore 29, Md. General. Laurence A. Davis.
- 23276 **Marvin R. Dershem, Jr.**, 1936 N. 9th, Grand Junction, Colo. General. L. A. Hensley.
- 23277 **Joseph N. Tosh**, Freedom Bank Building, Freedom, Pa. U. S. Coins. James O. Sloss.
- 23278 **Irving A. Biron**, 2015 East 28th St., Oakland 6, Calif. U. S. Coins. Edward Fogler, Charles Steele.
- 23279 **Emmett A. Moloney**, 435 Jefferson St., Monte Vista, Colo. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan, H. C. Anderson.
- 23280 **Souderton Coin & Stamp Club**, Henry S. Detwiler, Secy., Souderton, Pa. William J. Dean.
- 23281 **Shaiky Le Savoy**, 177 S. Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, New Jersey. General. Frank Castorina.
- 23282 **Arthur Andersen**, 407 Fairfax Ave., Norfolk 7, Virginia. American Gold and Silver. Joseph B. Collier, Sidney A. Hirsch.
- 23283 **Harold G. Taylor**, P. O. Box 792, Hobart, Okla. U. S. and Foreign. J. B. Collier, Sidney A. Hirsch.
- 23284 **Gene Johnson**, 510 Ballough Road, Daytona Beach, Fla. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23285 **John F. Adair**, 1852 Dancy St., Jacksonville 5, Fla. U. S. Coins. J. P. H. DePass, David E. McMeans.
- 23286 **Edward K. Schaad**, 22 Cherry St., Petaluma, Calif. U. S. Coins. A. E. Bebee.
- 23287 **David A. Batchelor**, 1400 Grandin Ave., Pittsburgh 16, Pa. Greek and Roman Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23288 **Melvin C. Hillwerth**, 2123 N. 58th St., Philadelphia 31, Pa. U. S. General. Lewis M. Reagan, M. H. Bollender.
- 23289 **Mrs. Marilyn Howard**, 180 East 79th St., New York City, N. Y. Commemorative Halves. Herbert Maver.
- 23290 **Melvyn A. Scott**, 1024 Knott Bldg., Dayton 2, Ohio. Gold. H. C. Banner, Jos. A. Moritz.
- 23291 **Fred Kluck**, Rt. 1, Box 139, Fairfield, Calif. Type Coins. James C. Conner.
- 23292 **Joseph H. Hoffmann**, 2509 W. Greenfield Ave., Milwaukee 4, Wisconsin. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23293 **Arthur Hammer**, 3131-28 Ave., South, Minneapolis 6, Minn. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23294 **Kenneth M. Hoover**, 214 Ridge Ave., New Kensington, Pa. American Coins. Ray B. Lipford, Mrs. M. Jo Lipford.
- 23295 **Russell Smith**, 208 Homestead Ave., Scottsdale, Pa. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Carl B. Pritchard, Jr.
- 23296 **Edmund S. Greenslet**, 316 NE 60th, Apt. 6A, Portland 15, Oregon. Half Dollars and Paper Money. Dan Brown.
- 23297 **John A. Boyer**, 62 W. Nottingham Rd., Dayton, Ohio. General. James Kelly.
- 23298 **Raymond J. McKee**, 452 Vermont Place, Columbus 1, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Fred E. Kern, Sr.
- 23299 **Orval E. Bogart**, 301 W. Maumee, Angola, Ind. American and Modern Foreign Coins. Dorman D. Everett.
- 23300 **Dr. Monroe H. Berg**, 344 Leroy Ave., Cedarhurst, Long Island, N. Y. U. S. General. Max M. Schwartz.
- 23301 **Robert Shea**, 8421 S. Throop St., Chicago 20, Ill. General. Glenn B. Smedley, Eric G. Blomquist.
- 23302 **George E. Watson**, 2422 Carmen Ave., Chicago 25, Ill. American Coins. Glenn B. Smedley, Eric G. Bloomquist.
- 23303 **B. J. Raleigh**, 1707 Columbia Rd., Washington 9, D. C. U. S. and Ancient. E. Ward Russell, Brent H. Hughes.
- 23304 **Joseph Vitelli**, 70 Myrtle Ave., N. Plainfield, N. J. U. S. Coins. Ray Tropiano.
- 23305 **Daniel F. Haley**, 23 E. Somerset St., Raritan, N. J. U. S. Coins. Saul Gelman.
- 23306 **Roy Glen Barnes**, 1028 Mulberry St., Louisville 4, Kentucky. General. Richard D. Kenney, David W. Karp.
- 23307 **C. L. Van Natta**, 327 Lincoln St., Fremont, Ohio. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23308 **Roy R. Rigby**, Broad St. Bank Bldg., Trenton 8, N. J. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23309 **J. H. Schaum**, 7309 Pomander Lane, Chevy Chase 15, Md. U. S. Coins. Melvin R. Meyerson.
- 23310 **H. G. Hill**, P. O. Box 112, Rogue River, Oregon. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 23311 **Thomas E. Werner**, 3 E. Miner St., West Chester, Pa. U. S. Coins. Robert W. Moffett.
- 23312 **Mrs. Louise R. Cason**, 3004 13th Ave., S., Birmingham 5, Ala. General. O. B. Hudson, Opal H. Morris, J. H. Morris, Jr.
- 23313 **Hampton I. Bloom**, Swan Lake, Mont. U. S. Coins. George K. Robbin.
- 23314 **William K. Erdman**, 234½ W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles 3, Calif. U. S. Coins. Paul Weiger.
- 23315 **R. O. Mauk**, Romney, W. Va. General. Mrs. Doris E. Engle.
- 23316 **Bob Sparks**, Frazier's Cafe, Oakley, Kan. General. George I. Potter.
- 23317 **Harry Cunningham, Jr.**, R. 5, Box 552, Tampa 4, Fla. General. Murray L. Booth, Elmer S. Geiger.
- 23318 **Thomas K. Harvin**, Route 1, Conway, N. C. General. Louis S. Werner.
- 23319 **Paul H. Johansen**, 2529 Sherwood Ave., Charlotte 7, N. C. U. S. General. S. Leo McGranaghan.
- 23320 **Rafael Oriol**, Apartado 1205, Habana, Cuba. Old Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.

Application for Life Membership

LM270 Don Scott Johnson, 4421½ Saugus Ave., Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Deceased

17971 Frank A. Banyas, Cleveland, Ohio.
9153 Louis Fisher, Gary, Ind.
1802 Frederic E. Hodge, Amesbury, Mass.
4800 Ira S. Reed, Glenside, Pa.

Reinstatements

5830 Thomas H. Bradley, 1514 South Genesee St., Los Angeles 19, Calif.
12087 George Creed, 830 Walnut St., Philadelphia 7, Pa.
17524 Joseph Powers, 74 Walnut St., Somerville 43, Mass.
8485 Elmo C. Rankin, 719 Dexter St., Clay Center, Kans.
5957 Mrs. Rebecca J. Talbott, Bardstown, Ky.

Resigned

21887 M. C. Throckmorton, Beacon, N. Y.

Changes in Organizational Directory

Ashland Coin Club - Meets the 1st and 3rd Tues. of each month, except July and August. Doyle Beecher, Secy., 693 Hale Ave., Ashland, Ohio.
Junior Numismatics Club of Youngstown, Ohio - Bruce R. Irwin, Secy., 536 W. Princeton Ave., Youngstown 11, Ohio.
Lincoln Coin Club - Martin E. Burgess, Secy., 2933 N. 50th St., Lincoln 4, Nebraska.
Souderton Coin & Stamp Club - Henry S. Detwiler, Secy., Souderton, Pa.

Reports of Club Meetings

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE: Reports should be made promptly. Copy must be received by the 7th of the month to insure insertion in the following month's issue. Sometimes a carbon copy of the minutes is sent in, and almost invariably a number of items of local concern only must be cancelled. The justification for publishing these accounts lies in the numismatic information - and encouragement - to be derived by collectors generally, regardless of location. On this basis we feel it advisable to revise and condense, and, incidentally, the by-product of this course is conservation of valuable space. All copy should be typewritten, double-spaced, and written on one side of the paper only. Please condense your reports and write them so they conform to the style of those printed below. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Please send reports to the Editor.

BAY CITIES COIN CLUB - The 122nd meeting was held October 13 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wildbeck with 13 members present.

Karl Brainard exhibited and spoke on Maundy money. Art Wildbeck exhibited several bracteates of Charlemagne and spoke on them. Max Wedertz exhibited and spoke of his collection of coins of Morocco.

- C. G. KIMERLY,
Secretary

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB - The ninth meeting was held in the Club Room of the YMCA, October 28, with Pres. E. R. Wentz presiding. Eleven members and one guest were present.

Our usual swap session and social period was held. Mr. R. M. Newton exhibited a collection of large and small size currency, some gold coins, and a 1938 proof set in a plastic holder.

A Christmas party was discussed for the 16th of December and Mr. Newton stated that the YMCA would furnish a

room, refreshments and a tree.

Johnny Jenkins was appointed corresponding secretary.

- JOHNNY JENKINS,
Corresponding Secretary

BERGEN COUNTY COIN CLUB - The fifth meeting was called to order by President Anton at his home in River Edge, N. J., Oct. 20, with 21 present. Two new members were accepted into the club, making our total 22.

The by-laws were accepted as read. The design for our emblem was presented and it was decided to accept it after a few changes are made.

Exhibits:

William T. Anton: Series of 1863 \$5 legal tender certificate, 2nd obligation; 1864 \$10 compound interest note; 1879 \$10 refunding note; 1880 \$100 silver certificate; 1923 \$10 legal tender; set of U. S. commemorative gold.

W. H. Arthur: 1793 and 1837 cent; U. S. Roosevelt dime struck on thick planchet.

Herbert Eccleston: Spanish pillar dollar; 1799, 1877-S, 1878, 1922 \$1; 1870 Trade \$1.

Ed Black: Large copper cents, 1793-1837 (U.S.); off planchet Lincoln cent.

Frank A. Gialmo: Haitian ashtray made from Haitian gourd.

Loren A. Stafford: U. S. 1954 proof set; Canada 1954 mint set; partial set standing liberty quarters.

Walter Stefanacci: Athens, silver (Leon-tini); Roman coins.

Gerald Van Dyk: Collection liberty head halves.

John Zamgochian: 400 18th century British tokens (unc.); book for same with plates of 1795 by Charles Tye.

Charles Ragot: Medals, coins, plates of notes, bills, etc.; 30 medals of Christopher Columbus; 9 medals and badges of Teddy Roosevelt; 3 medals of Thomas Edison; 2 medals and badge of Statue of Liberty.

— LOREN STAFFORD,
Secretary

BIRMINGHAM COIN CLUB — We met on October 18th, with 15 present. Displays: Roman coins, Constantines family, Halsey Townes. Half cent (partial) set and 20 cent pieces by Henry E. Watkins. Uncut sheet of 12 legal tender \$1, 1928 Red Seal, low serial numbers, one of the rarest uncut sheets recently obtained from Mr. Philpott. Talk and display by John H. Morris.

Halsey Townes talked on the historic origin of the famous Spanish Trail from East Florida to Mexico. This was one of the reasons for the U. S. 50 cent commemorative. The name of the leader of the Spanish explorers was Cabeza de Vaca, which means "Head of a Cow," which appears on the Spanish Trail coin. He, together with four survivors of the 700 who started, are credited with discovering Texas and landing at Galveston, not by choice but by shipwreck.

— HENRY E. WATKINS,
Secretary and Treasurer

BRONX COIN CLUB — The 252nd meeting was held Sept. 22nd at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. Twenty-three were present. Oscar Schilke reported on the progress of the Metropolitan Coin Group Convention to be held in New York City next May. Six of the local clubs have voted for full participation. It was then unanimously voted that the Bronx Coin Club participate. Pres. Raymond Gallo is to represent the Bronx Coin Club.

At the October meeting the club celebrates its 21st anniversary; wives are to be invited and a birthday cake is to be ordered.

— THOMAS J. WASS, III,
Recording Secretary

BRONX COIN CLUB — The 253rd meeting was held October 27th at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. Twenty-seven were present.

Howard Gibbs spoke on odd and curious money. He gave the history of eight reale pieces on the islands of the West Indies and illustrated with numerous specimens from his collection.

Edward A. Rice spoke a few minutes on MANA convention in Washington, D. C.

Exhibits:
Dr. Beldegren: 1839 U. S. large cent, Booby Head variety.

Saul Bellus: Set of three 1898 commemorative pieces of Portugal and a 1905 two mark piece of Saxony.

Dr. V. Clain-Stefanelli: Denarius showing the portraits of Mark Antony and Augustus and also a cistophoric tetradrachm of Augustus.

A. R. Feldman: Enameled U. S. \$5 gold piece.

Raymond Gallo: U. S. large cents, 1830-1844.

Howard Gibbs: Cut and counterstamped coins of the West Indies.

Edward Janis: Twenty-six varieties of double profile U. S. large cents.

Ted Kemm: Pair of U. S. \$10 silver certificates with consecutive serial numbers and showing the change of signatures from Mongenthaul to Vinson.

John J. McMahon: Maundy set of Queen Elizabeth 1954, Newfoundland, and the following currency: 1910 and 1911 \$1, 1911 and 1912 50c, 1920 \$1 and 1920 \$2.

Martin Kortjohn: U. S. large cents from 1829-1848, also four coins from Holland.

Richard Picker: U. S. quarter 1804, U. S. halves 1802 and 1815, 1791 Washington piece, large head and a double bust, 1787 N. Y. Immunis Columbia and a large head, 1787 Mass. and Kentucky half cent.

William Pukall: Netherlands crowns and guildens, 1598-1794, also counter-stamps of Utrecht, Westfriesland, Holland, Zeeland and Overijssel.

E. A. Rice: Confederate cent in gold and Washington, John Adams and Lincoln mint medals in silver.

Stanley Seeman: U. S. large cents, 1831-1843.

Jacques D. Sweyd: Pieces of Holland, all in proof, William I 5 and 10 guilders, William II 5 and 10 guilders, William III 5, 10 and 20 guilders.

E. Taylor: Twenty different varieties of U. S. large cents from 1830 to 1844, unc., many finest known.

Peter B. Payne: Seven Armenian coins of the 12th century.

Van der Meer: Coins of the Netherlands from 3 guilder to half cent denomination, also second World War medals of Canada and the Netherlands.

Joseph Wagner: Medals of Austria, Order of Leopold; Portugal, Order of Christ and Russia, Order of St. Stanislaus.

Thomas J. Wass, III: U. S. large cents 1831 N7, 1834 N2, 1835 N7½ and 1839 N9.

Martin Kortjohn spoke about the trials and tribulations of the club's first few meetings, about some of the charter members and the early meeting places.

— THOMAS J. WASS, III,
Recording Secretary

BROOKLINE COIN CLUB — The meeting was called to order by Vice President Fred Freund in the Paul N. Smith Agency at 824 Brookline Blvd., Sept. 29. Mr. Freund presided in the absence of Pres. E. Smith who was unable to attend. There were 10 members in attendance.

A social evening in the late autumn or early spring is being considered. Clark C. Stockdale is to report on this at the next meeting.

Paul N. Smith volunteered to sponsor the Junior Club for the next six months from October through March. Joseph Ferraro volunteered to assist him at the next Junior meeting.

Clark Stockdale reported on the recent A.N.A. convention.

Phillip Williams lectured on "Mechanical Toy Banks." Because of the weight of the banks, he presented only one example of his extensive collection. He said the banks are very scarce and much in demand. He also noted that many scarce coins were found in them, notably, I. H. cents and 2½ dollar gold pieces.

Exhibits:
Mr. Stockdale: Set of standing liberty quarters, practically all uncirculated. The 1916 is a gem.

Mr. Sommers: Group of \$20 gold pieces, 1901, 1907 (MCMVII), 1908 and private gold pieces, 1860 10 D Clark & Gruber, EF, U. S. assay office Twenty D 900 Thous. EF.

Mr. Williams: Silver dollars, 1795 to 1803; half dollars, 1795-1892, including an 1815 EF; proof set 1896 from 1c to the \$20.

— JOHN D. KEANE,
Secretary-Treasurer

BROOKLINE COIN CLUB — The meeting was called to order by Pres. Emerson Smith in the Paul N. Smith Agency at 825 Brookline Blvd., Oct. 27th. Nine were present.

Paul Smith stated that no junior club meeting took place in October, but that one is scheduled for Nov. 10th.

One of our members, Robert Sommers, has gone into the coin business and we wish him the best of luck.

Pres. Smith presented Clark Stockdale, who gave an informative talk on the coins and tokens of Canada. He supplemented his talk with several complete sets of Canadian coins. He was ably assisted by Richard Foley, who exhibited coins, tokens, store cards and jetons of early Canada.

Exhibits:

Mr. Stockdale: Silver dollars of Canada, 1935 to 1954, Br. Unc.; set of silver 5c almost complete, V.G. to Unc.; complete set Canadian large cents in V.F. to Unc.; set of 5c Unc.; set of small cents in V.F. to Unc.; several Mint sets of Canada.

Mr. Carapellucci: Gray fractional currency shield.

Mr. Foley: Coins, tokens, store cards and jetons of early Canada, nearly 400 pieces, representing French regime; Province of Canada; Dominion of Canada; New Brunswick; Newfoundland; Prince Edward Is.; Nova Scotia; Northwest Territory; British Columbia; Magdalen Is.; Hudson Bay tokens, 1 New Beaver ½, ¼, ⅛ set of four; German Singing Society: Gesangverein Teutonia, proof coins only 20 sets minted; Leslie 2 pence, \$2 gold Newfoundland; token of the Montreal and Lachine railroad.

— JOHN D. KEANE,
Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — The 256th meeting was held Oct. 13 at the Granada Hotel with 46 present. Pres. Ryan in the chair.

Pres. Ryan attended a meeting of the presidents of eight metropolitan coin clubs and a Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention will be held May 6-8, 1955. Twenty-seven dealers have contracted for bourse cases so far. Constituents consist of the Brooklyn, New York, New Jersey, Long Island, Westchester, Fairfield, Bronx and Bridgeport coin clubs. The Convention will meet in the Park-Sheraton Hotel with Vernon Brown as chairman.

Exhibits:

Anthony Fischetti: 1798 \$1 with 13 stars, 1804 half cent, plain 4 with stems.

Rev. Frank H. Hutchins: 38 colonial coins, two Columbian 50c.

Ted Kemm: Type set 15 large \$1 notes, Sidney H. Kitzler: 1, 5 and 10 pyas of Burma, \$3 gold piece 1854.

Arthur Leeds: Fugio cent, 1787 mutton head Connecticut cent, 1783 Hibernian penny, 1771 shilling.

Dr. L. H. Lipman: 1953 coronation set, proof.

Anton Mayer: \$5 gold 1897 and 1903-S.

Victor Melnechuck: Nine silver thalers of the German Empire, 1752 to 1871.

Samuel J. Melnick: Three specimens of money used as advertising media.

Dr. J. H. Portnoy: Italian World War I medals, Columbian 50c 1892 and 1893.

Philip Ribner: 1815 half cent unc.

Philip Rosenbaum: 1936 to 1954 proof sets, 1954 South African proof set, including two gold pieces.

Oscar L. Susskind: German states silver coins, Stone Mountain half dollar and cards of Stone Mountain, Ga.

Moe Weinschel: Two medals commemorating 100 years of liberty in Central America dated 1821-1921, 3 cent nickel proofs, 1865 to 1889.

— SIDNEY H. KITZLER,
Recording Secretary

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

— The 517th meeting was held October 4th at the Buffalo Museum of Science with 14 present. Color movies were shown by Gustav Kunkel. An outstanding collection of Canadian paper money was exhibited by Gaston DiBello, including three of the \$4 notes which are rare and a \$25 anniversary note, also quite rare.

Following the exhibits there was an auction.

— R. C. MALTBY,
Secretary

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

— The 518th meeting was held October 18th, with 18 present.

After the meeting there was a brief auction.

Exhibits:

G. Kunkel: Complete set of U. S. large cents.

G. DiBello: 1929 and 1942 Papal sets.

J. Pandolfino: ½ rupee of Tibet.

H. Hoople: 3 lire of Sardinia-Cyprus 1827.

— R. C. MALTBY,
Secretary

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA COIN CLUB

— The meeting was held at the home of LeRoy J. Kaczor Oct. 28, with Pres. Hopson in the chair and 21 present. Col. R. F. and Mrs. Pike were admitted to membership.

The annual banquet will be \$2.50 per plate at Wheat's in Urbana, Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., Dec. 7. Ribbons will be given to all attending and all exhibitors, with a ribbon for the best general exhibit.

An auction closed the session, the material being chiefly Canadian cents.

— A. DEAN RICHMOND,
Secretary-Treasurer

CHICAGO COIN CLUB — The 429th meeting was held October 13 in the La Salle Hotel, Pres. Clyde L. Grimm presiding. There were 73 present.

Exhibits:

H. X. Boosel: Complete proof set of 1873, including gold.

C. L. Grimm: 1787 unc. Fugio cent; 1652 Oak Tree shilling, sixpence and threepence, and 1662 Oak Tree twopence.

Wm. Hoppe: Seven foreign bronze aeronautical medals.

E. Jonas: Papal States, Innocent XI, scudo (1676) and Brunswick-Luneburg, Christian V. Halberstadt, Pfaffenfeindthaler (1622).

I. T. Kopicki: 1923, Five legal tender notes consecutively numbered and five silver certificates also consecutively numbered.

T. F. Pokorney: Obsolete banknotes, \$1, \$2.50 and \$5, State Bank of Illinois.

C. B. Smith: 1954 Canadian banknotes of the new type \$1, \$2 and \$5; 1908 German Zeppelin thaler and medal of Crown Prince Henry of Germany, in

honor of his visit to the U. S.

— T. H. RICH,
Secretary

CHITTENDEN COUNTY COIN CLUB —

The 42nd meeting was called to order by Pres. Nuquist on Oct. 13. A small but enthusiastic group, with one guest, was present.

Mr. Mitchell, one of our members, has entered the army. We all wished him good luck.

The president gave a brief account of his trip to Chicago, telling of some coin stores he visited while there. Mr. Seager also spoke of his visit to the Chase National Bank of New York City and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C.

Each member will give a short talk at the next meeting on how he talked collecting.

— C. B. HOLCOMBE,
Corresponding Secretary

DELAWARE VALLEY COIN CLUB OF N. J. —

The 19th meeting was held Oct. 18th at the American Legion Post home, Woodbury, with 34 present. Five were elected to membership.

The program was a sound film and talk entitled "The Federal Reserve Bank and You," presented by Edward A. Aff of the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank. Exhibits by Mrs. C. L. Paine and Robert L. Smith also held the attention of the members.

An auction was held at which there was not much demand for the coins presented.

DETROIT COIN CLUB — Mr. Ebeling, club president, called the 700th meeting to order at the Wolverine Hotel October 7, 1954. There were 38 attending.

The following were elected to membership: Eugene I. Rosen, Howard M. Camfield and Ben Stocker.

There is a strong feeling among the club members that the silver dollar should be included in the proof sets and the secretary is to write a letter regarding this matter to the Director of the Mint.

Mr. Gravlén, president of the Royal Oak Coin Club, thanked our members for participation in the recent exhibit by the Royal Oak and Pontiac Coin Clubs. It was one of the most successful numismatic affairs held in the Detroit vicinity in several months.

Plans are being made early for the Central States Numismatic Convention to be held in Detroit next year.

Exhibits:

Ben Smith: Ancient and Early English coins. He received first place for this exhibit at the Royal Oak and Pontiac exhibit.

Frank Howe: Historical diamonds, 1868 proof \$3 gold.

J. V. McDermott: 1913 Liberty head nickel (received a special award at the Royal Oak exhibit), pine tree shilling and Confederate restrike half dollar.

Montrose Flanders: Freak 1954-D cent (uncirculated).

— J. B. PERNA,
Secretary

EAST BAY COIN CLUB OF OAKLAND, CALIF. —

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Gilbert D. Eaton Oct. 15. There were 53 members and 31 guests present.

Mr. Ritchie gave a brief report on the Coinval. There were 180 persons who signed the register. We had many fine exhibits; a bourse with six dealers; auction with about 225 lots; entertain-

ment by the Boys Club; and a ham dinner.

Ken Allen and Ed Fogler commented briefly on the California State Convention.

Exhibits:

Ken Allen: U. S. paper money.

John E. Ohls: 2 Suellos Peru 1853, 2 reales Mexico 1808.

Allan Craig: Coin mold from Han Dynasty.

Don Thrall: German 2 and 3 mark pieces.

Sidney Haas: Irish coins, 1190 to 1938.

Edward Gans: Drachm of Mark Antony and Cleopatra.

Arnold Rosing: 1780 Maria Theresa proof, 1915 Austria 100 corona proof, 1925 Salvador 1 colon.

M. K. Carr: Bryan dollar, Zerbe 5.

Walter G. Gerth: Cancelled check Bank of California, San Francisco, August 21, 1899; \$20 bill, First National Bank in Oakland.

D. L. Rhodes: \$5 legal tender 1907 Speelman-White, second prize from CSNA convention guessing contest.

Stanley S. Hawley: 1953 proof and mint sets in Hollander page.

E. A. Parker: 1894 proof set, 1924-S \$20 gold unc.

Clifford H. Bloom: Denmark 20 kronor gold 1916.

Charles N. Peters: Japanese gold 1695; book photos of Panama Pacific Exposition 1915.

Fred Monteagle introduced the speaker, Herbert Swain of the Yuba Manufacturing Company, who spoke on gold dredging in California. He described the development of the dredge and its use for recovering metals and gems.

Refreshments, consisting of coffee and cake, were served after an auction.

— DON T. THRALL,
Recording Secretary

EVERGREEN COIN CLUB — The 31st meeting was called to order by Pres. Monahan Sept. 16, at the Chehalis, Wash., home of Walter Ziebell. This pleasant arrangement was made for the one meeting during the year when the caretakers of the Borst Park Community House were on vacation and the house was closed. Thirteen were present.

Mr. Ziebell said the club received a blue ribbon for its exhibit at the Southwest Washington Fair.

It was decided that the club should have its own exhibit cases made. Mr. Petersen was instructed to contact the head of the manual arts department at the school to find out if the boys could do this work in class.

Mrs. DeNise and the Petersens reported on the A.N.A. convention.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Ziebell, after adjournment.

— HAVEN PETERSEN,
Secretary

HAWTHORNE COIN CLUB — Meeting was held Oct. 1st at the Hawthorne Plant of the Western Electric Company, Cicero, Ill. Pres. Formella presided with 34 members and guests present.

The guest speaker of the evening was Glenn B. Smedley of the A.N.A., Board of Governors and the Chicago Coin Club, who gave an interesting talk on "U. S. Banking and Bank Notes."

An auction conducted by E. Valach concluded the meeting.

— KATHLEEN COLLINS,
Secretary

HEART OF AMERICA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — Held its 228th meeting at the Elks Club the 18th of October

with Pres. Harry Bosley presiding. There were 40 present.

A talk on the bulletin was again made by Bob Anderson. He reported the cost of publishing would be \$25 the first month and \$15 each month thereafter. This cost would be partially defrayed by advertisements. The paper would be mimeographed and would appeal to Boy Scouts and other hobby groups and would also encourage additional membership. Mr. Bosley asked Bob Anderson to serve as first editor with the assistance of a staff if the bulletin is accepted.

Mrs. Green brought Mr. and Mrs. William Knapp. Mr. Knapp is a former president of H.A.N.A. He gave a short talk in support of the bulletin and told of visiting the late Joseph Schmandt and his family while he and Mrs. Knapp were in Paderborn, Germany.

A lively auction was conducted by George Paris.

— HART D. MAYER,
Secretary

HUNTINGTON COIN CLUB — The 52nd meeting was held at the clubroom in the public library Sept. 14th. There were 17 present.

Pres. Holtzworth showed the new bulletin board on which members are to place their want lists or items for sale. Members who attended the A.N.A. convention reported. G. F. Stanley liked the Philpott collection of paper money; Lester Bernstein learned about the rare 1869 over 68 Indian Head cent and subsequently discovered two in his collection. Kenneth Smith reported buying a 1911-D quarter eagle. Pres. Holtzworth mentioned he and his wife won door prizes. The president also secured at the convention the rare 1856 flying eagle cent.

— SIMPSON TOMKIES,
Secretary

INDIANAPOLIS COIN CLUB — The 167th meeting convened October 27 in the Washington Hotel with 49 in attendance.

Mr. Fiscus gave the report of the nominating committee. It was decided to hold election at November meeting.

The matter of our sponsoring the 1956 Central States Convention was discussed. Jack Hutchinson made a progress report on our hobby show exhibits.

Ray Fiscus told of the origin and development of the Club on this, the 14th anniversary of our founding.

Our Curator, Doc Hierschy, presented the following exhibits:

Jack Hutchinson: Political campaign medals, buttons and tokens including a small campaign book on Teddy Roosevelt.

Mr. Delskaley: German colonial coins.

Mr. Kasberg: Set of proof 2c pieces in white plastic; complete set of U. S. gold commemoratives; complete uncirculated set of U. S. Barber dimes; set of uncirculated Buffalo and Jefferson nickels.

Doc Hierschy: Bronze and silver Swiss shooting festival medals, 1860-1890.

Auction closed the meeting.

— G. H. DERBY,
Secretary

JUNIOR NUMISMATICS CLUB OF YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO — We met in the Boy Scout Room of the Martin Luther Church October 20, with 12 present. Elections were held, the new officers being Bill Richardson, president for the third time; Allan Lewis, vice president; Bruce Irwin, secretary; Brady Lucarelli

and Bob McMaster, Board of Governors. Jackson B. Moody showed a number of Roman coins, among which were a silver denarius of Antony and Cleopatra, and a silver obol of Heraclea. Mr. Moody told of the use of the obol in mythology to pay Charon to ferry the dead over the River Styx and how it was frequently the custom to bury an obol with the dead to pay this fare into the afterworld.

— BRUCE R. IRWIN,
Secretary

LAKE COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 4th meeting was held Oct. 5th at the YMCA with 25 in attendance. R. S. Yeoman, Racine, Wis., was guest speaker and he gave a splendid talk on coins from ancient times down to present time. He also displayed several of his prize collections.

Meetings are held the first Tuesday in each month at the YMCA in Waukegan, Ill., and visitors are welcome.

— S. T. SHAFT,
Secretary

LEHIGH VALLEY COIN CLUB — The 163rd meeting was held October 14 at the American Legion Post Home in Pen Argyle, Pa. Thirty-five members and guests were present. Pres. Morgan Strohl presided.

Charles E. Seyfert of Hellertown won the door prize, a 1954 proof set. A very successful auction was held after the formal meeting.

— LUTHER J. DECK,
Secretary

LOGANSPORT COIN CLUB — Held a very enthusiastic meeting September 30th and elected the following officers for 1954-55:

President: B. W. Lidgard.

Vice President: Dan D. Drompp.

Secretary-Treasurer: E. E. Parker.

Meetings will be held the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the YMCA building. Samuel Upton was appointed publicity chairman and Mrs. Lucille Rasmer as corresponding secretary.

If you are down this way on our meeting night, drop in.

— B. W. LIDGARD,
President

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB — The 53rd meeting was held October 19 at 350 East Ocean Blvd. Pres. Abel Sampson called the meeting to order.

Karl Brainard reported on the interesting activities at the California Numismatic Association State Convention.

Chief G. L. Weirs, retiring from the navy, described and showed several interesting coins, among them being a "piece of eight." These coins were minted in Mexico City in the 17th and 18th centuries and used in the colonies until 1857. From that coin comes such expressions as "two-bits," "four-bits," etc. He showed us the *Maria Theresa thaler* of 1780. This coin is still minted and circulated with the 1780 date in Arabia, Africa, and the Near East. Chief Weirs also displayed cowrie shells used as money longer than any other substance and still used in Africa and parts of China. The value of the "coin" depends upon its color which ranges from deep blue or gray to pink. Another coin depicted Julius Caesar, dictator, on the obverse. On the reverse were inscribed *veni, vidi, vici* (I came, I saw, I conquered). Another coin showed Galba, the farmer who became Emperor of Rome, and on the reverse, the Roman

legions appearing before the Forum.
After a coffee hour, the usual auction took place.

— MRS. NORMA BOLDMAN PYLE,
Publicity Chairman

LONG ISLAND COIN CLUB — The 18th meeting was called to order July 30th at the New Court Diner in Mineola, N.Y. The meeting was presided over by Bob Cohn. There were 14 present.

Mr. Picker is to arrange topics for one year in advance. At the next meeting he will attribute U. S. ½ cents.

Exhibits:

V. W. Alones: \$5 gold 1880; Cuban dollar; 4 Dutch trading pieces of the East Indies.

Richard R. Baumann: Early ½ dollars.
Robert Cohn: 1951-2-3-4 Canadian mint sets.

Peter B. Payne: Medals of the Napoleonic Wars commemorating the victory at Waterloo.

Richard Picker: 1658 Lord Baltimore sixpence; 1783 Chalmers shilling.

F. W. Porcaro: South Rhodesia crown 1953; U. S. trade dollar 1876.

Hugh P. Stone: Gold dollar types; Hawaii commemorative half dollar.

Emil Voigt: 1954 South African proof set.

Swapping and refreshments closed the meeting.

— ARTHUR D. PHILLIPS,
Secretary

LONG ISLAND COIN CLUB — The 19th meeting was called to order August 27th at the New Court Diner in Mineola, N.Y. by Pres. Michael Granis. Fifteen were present.

Mr. Payne gave a talk on the book filing system and Mr. Picker on the card system. The topic for next month will be U. S. coins, one-half cents from 1793 to 1797 and one cents from 1793 to 1796. The foreign topic is the continent of Africa beginning with the "A" countries. Mr. Payne gave a brief talk on the A.N.A. breakfast meeting at Cleveland and will illustrate a public auction at next meeting.

Exhibits:

Vincent W. Alones: Pewter medal Stonewall Jackson; Henry Hudson medal by A.N.A.

Robert Cohn: Book *The Man in the Roman Street* by Mattingly.

Michael Granis: 1856 proof flying eagle cent.

Foster M. Jenkins: Proof set of Ceylon 2, 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents, 1951; Australia florin 1954 unc.; South Africa 5 shillings 1954 unc.

Peter B. Payne: Plaques of A.N.A. Coin Week and a Swedish plate 2 daler 1751.

R. Picker: 1799 \$5 and \$10 gold, 1805 25c silver, 1815 25c silver, 1807 10c silver, 1794 large cent, 1803 large cent.

Emil Voigt: Fractional currency \$10; legal tender crisp 2nd obligation; 1909 over 8 double eagle.

— ARTHUR D. PHILLIPS,
Secretary

LONG ISLAND COIN CLUB — The 20th meeting was called to order September 24th at the New Court Diner in Mineola, N. Y. by Pres. Michael Granis. Fifteen were present.

Pres. Granis read a letter concerning a regional convention and the membership voted to back it. We also discussed forming a permanent yearly convention committee.

Exhibits:

Vincent W. Alones: Stack's large cent catalog; 5 die varieties of 1794 large cent.

R. R. Baumann: Comm. U. S. coins.
Robert Cohn: Crisp Hawaiian \$1; 10 peso Philippine 2 25c Army scrip; unc. denarius Severus Alexander.

Warren Dickerson: Two ancient Roman (bronze); five Civil War tokens.

Harold Fuller: Washington quarters; unc. set Philadelphia mint; 1939 Canadian proof commemorative.

Michael Granis: 1936 U. S. proof set; copy of Syracuse decadrachm.

Foster M. Jenkins: 1948 proof set of Pakistan; Venezuela set 5 centimos to 5 bolivars; Sweden proof set dated 1950.

H. P. Stone: 1951 South Africa proof; 1952 South Africa proof with gold; Elizabeth medals.

O. L. Susskind: 31 freak coins including double strikes with two busts, reverse strikes, test coins, off center strikes, double headed coins.

Emil Voigt: 1952 George VI; 1953 Elizabeth II; South Africa proof set including gold coins; various U. S. quarters.

— ARTHUR D. PHILLIPS,
Secretary

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB — The 319th meeting was held on October 1st at Foresters' Hall. Pres. W. R. Fanning conducted the meeting, attended by 87 members and guests. Applicants for membership accepted at this meeting were Herbert A. Brown and Jack Seeler.

The club's annual banquet and installation of officers will be held at Scully's Restaurant, 48th St. and Crenshaw Blvd. on Saturday, January 15th. An invitation is being extended to all neighboring coin clubs to participate.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Charles Harbeck, charter member and former president of the club, who spoke on "Religion and Coinage." Dr. Harbeck has an extensive collection of classical coins, and cited examples from among them as well as from modern coins to trace man's acknowledgement of God (and gods) on coins. He pointed out that most of the ancient Greek and Roman coins depict some god or goddess, and that the earliest banking establishments were maintained in the temples. From ancient times, through the Middle Ages, and to the present, the coinage of most nations of the world bears some legend or symbol of religious significance.

Exhibits:

Dr. Charles Harbeck: Many coins illustrating his talk, including: Greek coin of Syracuse, showing head of Athens, the earliest Greek bronze (c. 300 B.C.); Roman coins of Claudius (A.D. 41-54) depicting Ceres, goddess of Agriculture; Roman coin of Magentius (A.D. 350-353) on which the words "Alpha & Omega" appear, denoting the Christian influence; Papal coin of Pius II (1458-1464) depicting Sts. Peter and Paul on reverse.

After refreshments and a door-prize drawing, the regular monthly auction was conducted by George Bennett.

— WILLIAM H. SPENCE,
Secretary

LOUISVILLE COIN CLUB — The ninth meeting was called to order by Pres. Roy G. Barnes at the Union Labor Club building, October 5th with 26 members present.

J. Marshall English, acting as corresponding secretary, reported our Club had been accepted into the A.N.A., number assigned being 22992. He also read a letter from Lewis Reagan saying he would be in Louisville January 20th and would accept our invitation to attend a meeting that night if one could be arranged.

Carl Dellmuth donated one 1954 U. S. proof set to the club.

Harry Tileston displayed and gave an interesting talk on U. S. type set. Pres. Roy Barnes showed slides and talked on "Coinage of Australia."

— I. B. CRAMER,
Recording Secretary

MEMPHIS COIN CLUB — We held our usual meeting at Grandma's Attic October 18 with a good attendance. There was much activity due to the display of some very good coins. There were several good talks, and reference was made to the probability of wooden nickels for the spring carnival here next spring. This would be a big help to our club. We added another new member.

— W. H. BRODERICK,
Secretary

MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ST. LOUIS — The meeting was held in the Hotel Kings-Way, St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 13th and was called to order by retiring Pres. J. J. Smith. Forty were in attendance.

A special and unique program arranged by Pres. Smith was enacted. All past and present officers were asked to step forward. Each was given a piece of plywood cut from one large piece. After all pieces were assembled in jigsaw fashion, the words **MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ST. LOUIS** appeared. As quoted by Pres. Smith, "This Society will remain intact as long as the Officers and members put their efforts together and work in unison as these pieces of plywood were assembled." Retiring officers were given tokens of appreciation by Smith. Officers for the coming year, who were elected at the June meeting, were then installed and the new president, Arno Meyer, took the chair.

Attendance prizes donated by the Society and Member Art Kelley were awarded to Lester Henry and Robert Coates.

Certificates of award for participation in the recent National Coin Week displays were given to the following: W. G. Arnold, James Berkel, Alan Bollmier, Julius Gold, Harry and Paul Coulter, Robert Coates, Samuel Jaromack, C. W. Lounsberry, George and Joseph Smith.

An auction of 72 lots of coins closed the meeting.

— W. G. ARNOLD,
Secretary

MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ST. LOUIS — The meeting held in the Hotel Roosevelt on October 11 was called to order by Secretary Arnold. Thirty-one members and guests were in attendance. Attendance prizes donated by the Society and President Meyer were presented to Merten Carlson and William C. Schulte.

The display by James Berkel of fractional currency, uncut sheets of U. S. currency, German porcelain coins and medals, colonials and many other coins was enjoyed by all present.

Bourse tables were available where coins and numismatic materials could be purchased.

The feature of the evening was the showing of another set of numismatic slides obtained from the A.N.A. Visual Educational Committee. This set consisted of slides depicting all types of U. S. quarters to U. S. silver dollars, accompanied by comments on dates of issue, die breaks and designers.

— W. G. ARNOLD,
Secretary-Treasurer

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

— The 249th regular meeting was held September 9 at the Military Park Hotel, Newark, N. J. President Willard Blaisdell presided with 20 present.

A suggestion was made to set aside a page in memory of our member, Mr. Spiro, who passed away. Mr. Spiro was an authority on New Jersey Cents.

Exhibits:

T. L. Baskin: Medals of the 1876 centennial in gold plate, silver, bronze, tin, white metal.

C. Ragot: Checks from New Orleans, 1866 to 1873, to be paid in gold; 82 engravings of medals awarded to generals and commodores of the American army and navy; Irish Republic \$5.00 note; 125 miniature reproductions of ancient works of art made in the 1850s in Italy.

H. C. Mathews: Four patterns, A.W. 1606-412 262 312; Marie Theresa thaler in proof; type set Liberty Head gold; five misstruck Lincoln cents; A.N.A. 25 year medal received at Cleveland.

A. Mayer: Freak \$1.00 note, P.&H. \$2.50, 1926; \$10.00 1893; \$10.00 1901 in gold, V. Fine to unc.

C. H. Ryan: 50 pieces of paper money, crisp, legal 1st, 2nd, 3rd charter periods and silver notes.

E. Fladung: 1799 U. S. silver dollar; Lafayette dollar; Napoleon 5 franc; Guernsey 8 doubles, Canadian bank tokens; \$1 Gold 1853 and 1872.

W. Pukall: Collection of English colonials, India, Bengal, Surat, Calcutta, Burma, Arcot, Br. East India.

G. Van Dyk: Gold medal, round the world flight of the Hindenburg.

O. Schilke: Pattern 1871 50c, A.W. 1139.

M. L. Kaplan: 5 frank piece of 1877.

B. Abbeiden: \$1 note, split into two pieces.

L. O. Goodman: Other hobbies, booklets, medals, etc., of Boy Scouts of America.

— ANTON C. MAYER,
Secretary

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

— The 250th regular meeting was held Oct. 14th at the Military Park Hotel in Newark, N. J. Vice President A. H. Mershon presided. Twelve were present.

Exhibits:

J. P. Ward: 1876 centennial medal; 1909 Lincoln medal; 1799 over '98 cent; 1849 Moffitt coin.

T. V. Purrington: 1786 N. J. cents (2); 1795 8 reales Mexico City; 1770 1 real, Mexico City.

C. H. Ryan: Rare specimens of fractional currency.

T. L. Baskin: Centennial medals in presentation cases, miniature teapot made from Indian cent.

Wm. Anton: \$20.00 silver certificate, 1891; set of \$2.50 Indian Head gold coins.

A. Mayer: \$5 gold, 1897, 1903-S; 3c silver, 1851-O VF, 1851, 1853 unc.

A. H. Mershon: English coins of Victoria, George VI and Elizabeth II and French coins.

— ANTON C. MAYER,
Secretary

NEW MEXICO COIN CLUB

— The 17th meeting was held October 25th in Mitchell Hall on the University campus. Pres. H. M. Hunter presided, and there were 37 present, an attendance record.

Mary Waddell, Bernard Thomas, Bob Johns, Thomas Martin and M. F. Stewart were admitted to membership.

The petition for the inclusion of proof silver dollars that came up in the form of a resolution at the A.N.A. convention was signed by all 26 members present.

It is being forwarded to the Director of the Mint.

The meeting closed with an auction.
— MRS. FLOYD MILLER,
Secretary-Treasurer

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB —

The 550th meeting was held Oct. 8 at No. 2 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. Pres. Oscar G. Schilke presided with 20 present.

The topics of the evening were: United States 3c, nickel; United States obsolete banknotes, Ohio to Pennsylvania; coins with ship designs; new acquisitions.

Exhibits:

V. L. Brown: Banco de la Republica, Colombia, silver medal 25th anniversary 1923-48; Colombia, inaugural medal of Pres. Rojas Pinilla Feb. 1954, silver, obverse shows doorway to Casa de Moneda, Bogota 1620.

V. Clain-Stefanelli: Roman coins showing ships; osella of Venice dated 1727 showing the "Bucintoto." Medal commemorating Garibaldi landing at Marsala 1860.

H. J. Erlanger: Half bracteate of imperial mint of Nuremberg (early 13th century); 10 medals by Nuremberg engravers, 1580-1795.

A. R. Feldman: Wass Molitor \$10 gold 1852; Indian peace medal.

J. R. Francis: Roman imperial coins: quadrans of Domitian, denarii of Antoninus Pius, Sept. Severus and Severus Alex.

R. Gallo: 1798 cent S-165.

Henry Grunthal: Six Pine Tree shillings; one Oak Tree shilling; 40-ducat, 1629, Holy Roman Empire with bust of Ferdinand III.

E. K. Hessberg: Set of 3c nickels, uncirculated and proof.

Dr. R. S. Holzman: Eleven satirical Napoleon III coins and jetons, numbered to type H56 obverse and H16R reverse in exhibitor's collection. Copy of exhibitor's new biography, *Stormy Ben Butler*.

M. Kortjohn: Complete set of 3c nickels; also seven 3c nickel patterns; gold dollar pattern AW#1598, fair.

Henry Kotzen: Cliches of French Revolution by Dupre, Auguste, Galle and others. Brezin 40 mm, 1793 in Pb, unpublished with this edge.

L. Kusterer: Obsolete banknotes, six Ohio, 17 Pennsylvania.

Oscar G. Schilke: \$2, \$5 and \$10 Canadian notes, Series of 1954.

R. Solomon: Double eagle 1928.

Mr. Erlanger exhibited Nuremberg newspaper of June 22, 1782.

— E. K. HESSBERG,
Secretary-Treasurer

NORTHWEST COIN CLUB — The October meetings (numbers 256 and 257) were held at the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis and the Ryan Hotel in St. Paul, Oct. 6th and Oct. 20th respectively.

The annual spring convention (the 21st) will be April 16th and 17th at the Ryan Hotel, St. Paul.

Irving Beery displayed his type collection of U. S. coins on which he had won both first and sweepstakes prizes at the Minnesota State Fair this year. He discussed the method he employed to lick the rather rough handling the displays often get. Many good pointers were picked up by the members.

The meetings are always followed by lively auctions, into which may be found such surprising items as a 1924-S \$20 gold piece — uncirculated.

— WILLIAM S. JONES,
Secretary-Treasurer

OAK PARK COIN CLUB — The 45th meeting was held Oct. 8 at the South Branch Library with Pres. W. H. Kimball presiding.

Each member was given a complimentary copy of "Presidents of the U. S." donated by the John Hancock Mutual Life Ins. Co. of Boston. The club received a new *Guidebook* from Hollinbeck as a gift.

Exhibits:

C. Grimm: Colonials.

E. Salisbury: British proof coronation set.

N. Andrews: U. S. 5c pcs.

W. Nemecek: Queen Elizabeth Australian florin.

B. Marshfield: 1896 Bryan dollar.

A. Troyka: Proof sets U. S. 1936-1954.

Geo. Howe: Russian money.

Dr. Westmark: "So-called dollars."

Meeting adjourned after which a 42-lot unlisted auction followed.

— PAUL IGELMAN,
Acting Secretary

OAKLAND JUNIOR COIN CLUB — The first meeting of the 1954-1955 season was held Sept. 16th at the Oakland Boys Club, Oakland, with a small but eager-for-action group on hand. Counselors Roy Hill and Edward Fogler were present to help get things started again.

The following were elected: Garry Bush, president; William DeRade, vice president; Bruce Payne, secretary, and Bruce Cole, treasurer. After the election Edward Fogler installed the officers and then Garry Bush took over, with his new officers.

Discussion of future program ideas, club emblem, setting future meetings for the third Thursday each month, participation in the East Bay Coin Club's COINIVAL, and exhibition at the coming 1955 spring convention of CSNA followed.

Exhibits:

James Cunliffe: U. S. 20th century type set as called for in the Boy Scout merit badge.

Bruce Cole: Lincoln 1c, Jefferson 5c, foreign paper money.

William DeRade: U. S. proof sets in plastic holders along with which he told how proofs are made.

Roy Hill: Coins of Ceylon, 1802-1815; encased postage stamps used in Austria, France and Germany.

Edward Fogler: "So-called half dollars" depicting events similar to those of regular commemorative coins.

All young coin collectors are invited to these meetings the third Thursday each month.

— ROY HILL

OKLAHOMA CITY COIN CLUB — The 179th meeting was held in the Biltmore Hotel Oct. 26 with 13 attending. Pres. J. Lhotka presiding. The Oklahoma City bid for the 1955 Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association convention was accepted, the meeting to be held at the Biltmore Hotel Oct. 15 and 16, 1955. Ralph Osborne was elected president of the OKNA and Mrs. Helen Canale was appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

Following the business meeting, a short paper on the development of the cross as a numismatic type was given by Dr. Lhotka. He traced the use of the cross, mainly in the form of the "tau" and "crux ansata" forms, on early Greek coinage and then followed the rise of this type under the later Roman empire. The height of the numismatic use of the cross in the medieval period was climaxed by the Crusades. Emphasis on the gradual ornamentation of the

type into such variations as the "cross crosslet," the "cross pattee," etc., followed. Finally the gradual decline of this type as nationalism replaced it with local arms and portraits of other symbolic characters (especially "Liberty") was noted to the present.

Exhibits:

P. K. Anderson: Two 8 reales (one AR, one AE) struck by Morelos in 1813 and two 2 reales (AE) of 1812 and 1813 as well as a copy of Dr. Pradeau's *Numismatic History of Mexico*.

M. R. and David Brown: Early American bronze coins including a 1795 "grate" cent; 1723 Rosa Americana penny; 1793 "ship" halfpenny; 1785 Nova Constellatio cent; Virginia 1773 halfpenny; Rhode Island "ship" token.

Helen Canale: "Recortado" 8 reales, Philip V (1733), struck at the Mexican mint.

Claude Farwell: U. S. 5-cent piece of 1883 in extremely fine condition which had been plated with gold in an effort to imitate a \$5 gold piece.

Dr. Lhotka: Six Roman, Byzantine and medieval coins used to illustrate his paper.

Ralph Osborne: Broken banknote for \$2 issued by the Farmer's and Merchant's Bank, Memphis, Tenn.

Victor Stengel: U. S. \$1 of 1921.

Jake Sureck: Extremely fine U. S. mis-struck dime, cup-shaped and resembling Byzantine scyphates of the middle ages.

Lindell Walters: Four "freak" large cents, two mis-struck and two brockages.

— HELEN CANALE,
Secretary-Treasurer

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 195th meeting was held September 22 at Brea, Calif. Pres. Davidson counted 90 in attendance.

Winn Osborne, program chairman, introduced M. H. Bolender of San Marino as the speaker. His subject was "Early U. S. Silver Dollars," the field in which he is an authority. He told about his long research in preparation for the book which he recently published. His description was accompanied by a series of slides showing many of the 183 die varieties listed in his book.

After this fine program the meeting recessed for refreshments and then proceeded with the regular auction of members' coin offerings under the direction of auctioneer Joe Steele.

— HERB BERGEN,
Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The 463rd meeting, at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Sept 29th drew 44 members and visitors to hear an illustrated talk on "Coins of the Bible" by Charles V. Kappen of San Jose, CSNA Board member and editor of *Calcoin News*. Pres. L. G. Lodge presided.

Exhibits:

Ken P. Allen: Complete U. S. type set and a new type holder for displaying coins.

Harry Barnhill: Souvenir of the U. S. Capitol made from destroyed U. S. bills.

Clifford H. Bloom: Macedonian gold stater of Alexander the Great, 326-323 B.C.

H. F. Bowker: Okinawa new issue of paper money 5c to \$1.00 and a Chinese silver medal, dollar size, presented to an officer of the foreign office for merit.

Michael K. Carr: Scrapbook of clippings "Coin Corner" in the Vallejo paper by Don L. Rhodes.

Mrs. Harry Cutler: Two silver Jewish shekels of the first revolt and two coins

of the second revolt, one silver and one copper, and a picture story of the widow's mite.

Walter Gerth: Roman coins, 249-204 B.C., and Greek, 393 B.C. and a special exhibit of ships on coins recently used at the Vallejo Numismatic Society program in honor of Mare Island's centennial program.

Sidney J. Haas: Unusual coins of the Bible Land area, of modern, ancient and medieval times.

Roy Hill: Book published in 1864 in Philadelphia on *Coins of the Bible*. Natl. Geog. Soc. map, 1946, of the Bible Lands, and the U. S. Columbian commemorative half dollars, noting that Oct. 12th would be the 462nd anniversary of his famous voyage and this was the 463rd meeting of the Society.

A. G. K. Jakobsen: U. S. pattern proofs 1859-1870 and a new edition of Janda's coin check list.

Charles V. Kappen: Coins illustrating his talk on "Coins of the Bible."

Kurt E. Loret: Coins of the Bible, which was a prize winning display at CSNA show last April, with maps and chronological charts.

B. N. O'Hea: Coins of the Far East, Yemen, Mang, Ahmad and Madi; proof gold from Holland and Russia and 100 francs of France with standing angel.

Earl A. Perker: Westphalia one billion mark of 1923; Mexico gold set; gold from Peru and Austria.

John E. Ohls: One and two real proclamation pieces of 1789 Chas. IV 1808 Ferdinand VII and 1833 Isabella II.

David L. Redfield: Stater of Corinth; coins of ancient Athens, Egypt, Antioch and two leptons of Judea.

Don L. Rhodes: Obsolete currency, 1837, the Kistland Safety Society Bank \$5 and \$10, signed by Joseph Smith, Jr., and Sidney Rigdon.

F. C. Powell: Coin freaks and U. S. \$1 silver.

Paul D. Snedaker: Fifty cent size silver coins of Europe.

A short auction concluded the meeting.

— ROY HILL,
Recording Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The 464th meeting at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Oct. 27th brought out 40 members and visitors who enjoyed the 22 exhibits that were mostly based on transportation tokens, the subject of the evening. Many other types of tokens and coins were also shown.

Reports on the recent 15th semi-annual CSNA convention were given. Several PCNS members took away prizes and of these Roy Hill, John E. Ohls, Milton C. Strauch and Erich Werling were at the meeting.

A nominating committee was appointed by Pres. Lodge, consisting of Milton C. Strauch and David L. Redfield and another member whom they would pick to report at the November 17th meeting.

Kurt E. Loret gave a short report on his quest for information as to the present day intrinsic value of the "30 pieces of silver."

Exhibits:

Ken P. Allen: Large size U. S. paper money.

Harry Barnhill: American and English tokens.

Clifford H. Bloom: Moffat & Co. \$5 gold 1849.

H. F. Bowker: Transportation tokens from Shanghai and private plantation tokens from Hawaii.

Michael K. Carr: Transportation tokens acquired on trips across the country.

Alan D. Craig: Japan, Meiji 20 yen gold coin of year 36, (date not listed in Jacobs) and a Korean coin charm for "eloquent and auspicious occasions."

Walter G. Gerth: Transportation tokens and a scrapbook of cartoons.

Rudy Gjurovich: Cup he won as the comic, "King of Coin Collectors" in the Mare Island centennial parade, Vallejo.

Roy Hill: Transportation tokens, including a Memphis, Tenn., 1877; two old horsecar bells, Louisville, Ky., and New York City; old post card views of U. S. mints at Philadelphia, Denver and New Orleans.

A. G. K. Jakobsen: Civil War tokens.

L. G. Lodge: Article on wooden money and a specimen to go with it.

Kurt E. Loret: 20 streetcar tokens, 16 sales tax tokens and 6 misc. types of tokens.

Ralph A. Mitchell: Civil War tokens, store cards and hard rubber tokens.

Barney O'Hea: Doubloons of North and South America and gold coins from Sweden and Poland.

John E. Ohls: Dollar size commemorative coins.

Earl A. Parker: Photos of complete sheets of the postage currency notes, perforated, 5, 10, 25 and 50c, from the Altmayer collection of Mobile, Ala.

Gerald Perry: *The Coins of England*, published by Wm. Smith, London, 1846.

David L. Redfield: Streetcar tokens, dime size.

Donald L. Rhodes: Book put out by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Washington, D. C., *The Federal Reserve System*.

Arnold Rosing: German thalers and a few U. S. tokens.

Paul D. Snedaker: Tokens and souvenirs.

Don Thrall: Transportation tokens and "tools of the trade" with which he and his fellow Vecturists pursue their interesting hobby.

Guest speaker for the evening was Don Thrall, recording secretary of the East Bay Coin Club and an enthusiastic member of the American Vecturist Association, who presented a good review of transportation token collecting and told of the many interesting features it offers. He showed that there is a science to collecting and showed many oddities that may be found in the way of shapes, metals, sizes, varieties and even special event (commemorative) items.

A short auction conducted by "guest auctioneer" Ralph "Curly" Mitchell brought the meeting to a close.

— ROY HILL,

Recording Secretary

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB — The 231st meeting was held Sept. 21 with 48 present. Pres. Arthur Sipe presided.

Tribute was paid to the memory of Richard B. Farley, who died Sept. 10.

The A.N.A. convention will be in Philadelphia in 1957. Paul Yeagley distributed Coin Week Award Certificates. The following were proposed for membership on the A.N.A. Convention Committee: Arthur Sipe, chairman; Robert T. Ferris, Fred H. Hicks, Noel Van Roekens, Paul K. Yeagley.

Reports from the 1954 A.N.A. convention were made by the following: Julius Windner, Samuel W. West, William C. Boston, Harold E. Sullivan, Howard Reeves, Arthur Sipe.

For entertainment a tape recording of "Thievery at the Mint," was presented. The meeting concluded with an auction conducted by Frank B. Parks, Jr., and Hance Jaquett.

Exhibits:

Samuel W. West: (Best of evening). Book of bills 1862-1950, various cities and notes of different denominations.

S. Solomon: Book by Greeks during Nazi currency control.

Edward A. Swartz: Proof sets, 1936-1954.

Ernst Kraus: 1954 convention medal, awarded to him, designed by Julius Windner.

Walter Bancroft: Coins marked with a fluorescent material for detection of stolen coins.

Howard A. Davidson: Victor Emmanuel 1914 coin.

Arthur Sipe: A.N.A. convention materials, souvenir booklets, badges, from Philadelphia, Buffalo and Cleveland.

Wm. C. Boston: Two mounted uncut sheets of dollar bills, 1929 series.

Howard F. Street: 1886 notes, \$1, \$2, \$5, with Morgan dollars of reverse, proof Morgan dollars.

Daniel J. McDonald, Jr.: Bill, Jan. 1, 1780, State of Massachusetts Bay, 275 pounds.

Asher H. Leatherman: Various numismatic books.

James C. Wobensmith: 1886 Indian Head cent varieties.

— GEORGE W. MAGEE, JR.
Secretary

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB — The 232nd meeting was held on Oct. 19th, with Pres. Arthur Sipe presiding. After the conclusion of the annual banquet, served at the New Century Club, the President introduced a number of guests. Seventy-two were present for the business meeting.

Brief reports were made for committees, summing up the year's activities. The principal business was the annual election. The following were elected: Paul K. Yeagley, president; George W. Magee, Jr., vice president; Joseph A. Byers, secretary; Alexander Kapitk, treasurer; George J. Epley, executive committee member-at-large; Richard T. Hooper, curator. The new officers were installed in a brief ceremony by Past President Howard A. Davidson.

The speaker was Mrs. Rae V. Biester, newly appointed Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia. Mrs. Biester spoke of her experiences in being installed in her new work and told a number of interesting anecdotes about her position.

Exhibits:

Frank B. Parks, Jr.: Portrait coins of kings and queens of Great Britain. His collection was selected as best and he was awarded the club's certificate award for 1953-1954.

Harmer B. Cole: Indian Wampum.

Ernst Kraus: Ancient coins.

Howard A. Davidson: Eighteen queens and 2 goddesses, from Greece to Victoria.

Asher H. Leatherman: Complete set of 5c, 1866-1949, proof and unc.

Alfred D. Norris: Assay commission medal.

Samuel W. West: Collection of paper notes.

Arthur Sipe: *March of Money* book, odd and curious coins of the world, coin oddities, a coin vase.

Paul K. Yeagley: Two frames, continental and colonial paper notes of Pennsylvania, exhibited in honor of Pennsylvania Week.

Francis Contino: Two sheets of specimen banknotes, 1840-1850.

— GEORGE W. MAGEE, JR.,
Secretary

RACINE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - The 198th meeting was held October 14th at the Racine Y.M.C.A. It was presided over by Pres. Richard Yeoman, with 24 present.

Mr. Yeoman exhibited some German 2 mark and 1861 thaler pieces, Mr. Miller displayed 2 Castorland restrikes; an 1836 Wisconsin commemorative, medal and postage stamp; a tetradrachm of Athena; two Pine Tree shillings on large and small planchets and a shekel of Tyre. Mr. Grimm of the Chicago Coin Club exhibited four beautiful colonial coins, the Oak Tree shilling, sixpence, threepence and twopence.

An auction was conducted after the business meeting by Al Hall.

- NORBERT H. BRUSKY,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - The 929th meeting was held October 5th at the Museum of Arts and Sciences. There were 39 present. Pres. James I. McGowan presided.

John J. Pittman was the speaker. His subject was "Collecting U. S. Coins for Pleasure or Profit." Mr. Pittman pointed out the pitfalls and mistakes made by collectors both old and new; explained the best ways of obtaining numismatic material and housing it. The speaker said coin collecting can be very interesting and entertaining and at times, profitable.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Coins with the obverse incused on the reverse, caused by the coiner not removing the struck coin; 11 ancient coins; also a Tribute penny double struck.

Charles J. Ricard: Commemorative medal of the sesqui-centennial of the establishment of the government of the state of New York, 1777-1927.

Charles W. Foster: 1901 Leshar dollar, Boyd Park, Denver; two railroad tokens for half cord of wood, the Michigan Southern & Northern Indiana Railroad.

John J. Pittman: 50c, 1 Escudo and 2½ Escudos of Mozambique 1953 unc.; 5, 10 and 20 centavos and sucre of Ecuador 1946 unc.; florin of Australia 1954; 100 and 200 francs of Morocco 1953 unc.; 5 groszy of Poland 1939; 10c of Mauritius 1954 unc.

Howard F. Osterman: 5 zlotych silver of Poland 1925, CW 9.

James I. McGowan: Half dimes of 1851, 1851-O and 1852, unc.

- MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION - The 930th meeting was held October 19th at the Museum of Arts and Sciences. There were 40 present. Pres. James I. McGowan presided.

The program was by George J. Bauer. His subject was "Coins of the Byzantine Empire from Arcadius, 400 to 1400 A.D." He sketched the history of the Empire during the height of its glory to the declining days. The influence of the invading forces upon the people were among the many highlights of the talk. With the aid of slides shown by Floyd B. Newell, Mr. Bauer described several coins of that period.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Coins of the Ostrogoths, Trebizond and Byzantium - bronze, silver and gold in different denominations.

John J. Pittman: 1 ducat gold unc. of the Netherlands East Indies 1928; \$5 gold unc. of Canada 1913; 50 cents, 1, 2, 5 and 20 francs of the French Union 1948 to 1952 unc.

Charles J. Ricard: 5 pesos, 1948, 5 pesos, 1953 and 1 centavo, 1954, all of Mexico.

John W. Sloane: Set of 2c and 3c nickel complete, proof and uncirculated. James I. McGowan: Roman denarii of Geta.

- MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN,
Secretary

SALINA COIN CLUB - An election of officers was held on Sept. 28, and the following were elected:

President: Glen Johnson

Vice President: Capt. Wm. B. Bryson

Publicity Chairman: Sgt. Rudy Toporsh

Secretary-Treasurer: E. C. Sarvis

Meetings will be held hereafter on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, in the Salina Public Library.

- E. C. SARVIS,
Secretary

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB - The 76th meeting was held October 21 at 631 "G" St., San Bernardino, Calif. The meeting was called to order and presided over by Pres. John Yribarne. There were 38 present. Don Posey was welcomed into membership.

Mr. Coops had an assortment of articles at his bourse table: Mr. Barrett showed fractional currency; Mr. Kessler, proof sets; Mr. Brown, ancient coins; and Mr. Feinberg, complete sets of Lincoln cents, a rare, silver cent piece and several mis-struck cents.

For roll call each member rose, gave his name and told what coins he is collecting.

Messrs. Brown, Burke, Yribarne, Howard, and Johnson and Mesdames Brown, Colver and Eastman reported on the state convention.

The president said our monthly attendance is the highest of any club of its kind in per cent of paid-up members. Mr. Howard reported that a brochure of the club's activities is available from Mr. Coops.

Present officers were re-elected for another year. They are: John Yribarne, President; Dale E. Howard, Vice President; Fred Coops, Secretary; Mrs. Ernest C. Kessler, Recording Secretary; Herb Feinberg, Treasurer, and Bryan Burke, Jr., Program Chairman. The Board of Directors retain their offices, and they are Messrs. Burke, Arnold, Haydon, Colver, and Coon. Dr. Emmons is an honorary member and is to serve permanently.

The program was the showing of the last of the series of the A.N.A. slides, with Mr. Burke as operator and Mr. Verbanace as reader. Mr. Verbanace displayed nine different bills that were shown on the slides. Refreshments were furnished and served by Mrs. Snyder and Mr. Yribarne.

Herb Feinberg conducted the usual auction.

- MRS. ERNEST C. KESSLER,
Recording Secretary

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COIN CLUB

- The meeting was called to order Oct. 20 by Pres. McCormac, with 36 present. The Board of Governors approved membership for Robert O'Brien, W. O. Koonce, and George G. Dashiell.

Mr. Berberry reported on his study of Coin Week. It was decided that we will participate in Coin Week in 1955.

S. J. Kabealo, the speaker of the evening, had for his topic U. S. quarters. His outline covered a series from its origin in 1796 through 1954 and was illustrated by a collection formed by

I. N. Sanders. Collecting quarters can be quite a specialty, according to the varieties listed by Browning, Hazeltine, and Breen with new varieties turning up. A very valuable collection of quarters can be formed by including the entire series of dates and mint marks. A type set of quarters in nice condition is very valuable. In addition, contemporary history might be tied in with the dates of coinage. This type of collecting would certainly enrich an individual's intellectual development as well as financial profit and gain in collecting coins.

Exhibits:

Mr. Bennett: 1850 Moffat & Co. \$5 gold.
Mr. Koonce: St. Gauden's \$20 gold 1907 high relief; Brazil 400 reis; set of Meisen, Germany, porcelain.

Mr. Brown: 1875 50c; Pennsylvania 1776 1/6 dollar.

Mr. Reberly: Silver \$1 1886-O (he termed it the "Pillar dollar." While at Las Vegas this coin was the first to be placed on the betting table. It proved to be quite a cornerstone when he made his haul after making 13 passes. Now he wants rare dates and mint marks.)
Mr. O'Brien: French copper five and ten centimes.

Mr. Gray: Uncut sheets from Carolina, also rare 1877 proof cent.

Mr. Bolender: Silver dollars 1795, 1796, 1797 B2 B3, unc. quarters 1923-S, 1926-S.
Mr. McCormac: 20c 1875, 1876, 1878 proof.

An auction sale was well conducted by Mr. Bennett.

— S. J. KABEALO,
Secretary

SEATTLE COIN CLUB—The 212th meeting was held at the Edmond Meany Hotel Sept. 30th with President Ray Pelton in the chair. It was "Bring a Guest Night" and 36 members introduced 10 guests. Gene DeNise read an interesting letter from Dave Graham, (our V.P. who is on a teaching mission to Formosa). Laura Lawrence announced a Fireside for new members at her home Oct. 15th, and Annette Graves was welcomed into the club.

Coins of Africa were featured. The meeting closed with a lively auction.

Exhibits:

Carl Olander: Thirty coins from 10 countries of Africa plus 36 of the "so-called dollars" as described by Kenney, including rarities.

Richard Burd: Israeli proof set.

Gene DeNise: Sixty coins from 16 countries of Africa showing the influence of inflation and deflation.

Steve Bibler: Six bronze coins of Ptolemy, 4 of Cleopatra, 2 Ptolemy silver coins 346 B.C. and 111 B.C.; 8 coins of Liberia.

C. C. Saemen: 22 coins of ancient Greece, Alexander the Great and Ptolemy.

Paul Fouts: Uncirculated set of notes of South Carolina.

— LAURA LAWRENCE,
Secretary

SEATTLE COIN CLUB—The 213th meeting was held in the Edmond Meany Hotel, Oct. 28th, with Pres. Ray Pelton presiding over the gathering of 29.

Gene DeNise read an interesting letter from Dave Graham telling of his visit to the Mint in Formosa and his luck in being presented with some rare pattern coins.

Bert Wagner reported that the Fireside, held at the home of the Lawrences October 15th, was well attended and

fun. Gene DeNise passed out issues of the first *Seaco Bulletin*, a four-page newsletter which she had written for the interest of the club.

Odd and curious money was featured in the displays plus the customary attention to U. S. coins. After a short social period the meeting closed with an auction.

Exhibits:

Carl Olander: Iceland commemorative set; Swedish plate money.

Gene DeNise: Knife and pin money of China; U. S. game counters with Kurth's book on same; Mimbass spear money of Africa plus 12 lucky cents.

Ben Gorlick: Swedish plate money; Japanese bean money; Laos state tongue money, leather and cloth money; German and New Caledonian encased stamps.

C. M. Lawrence: Bank of England 5 shilling piece in silver plus a duplicate in brass; several Victoria "to Hanover" counters.

C. C. Saemen: Bell money, 6 Chinese 1000 cash, fish, sycee, pu and knife money, Mexican hoe money; Japanese silver oban and wampum.

Steve Bibler: Northwest Co. token of 1820 in nice condition plus two others badly corroded which were recovered from the ruins of Fort Vancouver; Indian wampum and old Mexican silver pieces.

Edward Flieder: U. S. 1795 half eagle, unc., plus five additional early dates of the same; 1801, 1846-O silver dollars; two English spade guineas.

Laura Lawrence: Complete set unc. Washington quarters.

— LAURA LAWRENCE,
Secretary

TOPEKA COIN CLUB—The meeting was held Sept. 30 in the Coca-Cola Building with Vice President Slingerland presiding. There were 20 present.

The following officers were elected:

President: E. A. Slingerland

Vice President: J. G. White

Treasurer: H. E. Crawford

Secretary: F. L. Snider

Appointments were as follows: Dr. O. R. Clark, Program Director; J. L. Dooley, club representative to Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association convention.

Hereafter, meetings will be held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

— F. L. SNIDER,
Secretary

TOPEKA COIN CLUB—The monthly meeting was held October 28 with Pres. Slingerland presiding. There were 21 present.

Dr. Clark gave a report on attendance at the Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association convention.

Set No. 17, "Coins of Special Significance," was shown. This is one of the best sets we have had the pleasure of seeing.

Exhibits:

E. A. Slingerland: Type set and double eagle in plastic case.

O. R. Clark: Numerous coins depicted in Slide Set No. 17.

J. L. Dooley: Fugio cent and Continental dollar.

H. P. Daley: South Africa proof set for 1954 with gold.

F. D'Amico: Coins of ancient Rome and Carthage.

F. L. Snider: Set uncirculated Washington quarters and new Queen Elizabeth Canadian currency.

— F. L. SNIDER,
Secretary

TRENTON NUMISMATIC CLUB - The 30th regular meeting was held Oct. 4th at the "Farmhouse" on W. State St. Pres. Howard Coss called meeting to order, with 42 members and guests present. Five new members were admitted.

Robert Woodward appointed chairman of nominating committee; Saul Gilman and Phil Perkins to serve with him.

Meeting was turned over to "Panel of Experts" for our "Stump the Experts" program. Panel members were Father Korb, Jos. Scott, Howard Coss, and Walt Caines. Prizes went to: Don De Hart, Alex. Candelori, Mr. Lunnon.

Short auction was held after meeting.

- WALTER R. CAINES,
Secretary

TRI-COUNTY COIN CLUB - Meeting was held in Warren, Mass., Memorial Hall, Sept. 2 with 28 present.

Charles Stevens was in charge in the absence of our president.

Mrs. Bess Pursell was admitted and Mrs. Austin Hill became an honorary member.

The speaker, Max Kuhner, showed colored slides of several South American countries. Mr. Kuhner also had on display the current coins of the countries shown on the slides.

The usual prizes were drawn followed by refreshments.

- E. W. RICE,
Secretary

TRI-COUNTY COIN CLUB - Meeting was held October 7th in Memorial Hall, Warren, Mass., with 32 present.

Door and refreshment prizes were drawn. The speaker, Thomas Cotter, spoke on his travels and coins of various countries during his naval career. He displayed gold, silver, proof and paper money, including the 1907 Saint-Gaudens high relief \$20 gold piece.

- E. W. RICE,
Secretary

WACO HEART O' TEXAS COIN CLUB - The 75th meeting was held at the Lone Star Gas Co. club room Sept. 25th. Pres. Prickette called the meeting to order. There were 22 present. Two new members were added.

The program consisted of slides from the A.N.A., "Types of coins one-half cents through 20c." This was the first time slides have been shown to our club and they were enjoyed by all.

Exhibits:

Earl C. Davis: Gold type sets in plastic holders.

J. T. Willis: Twelve different one-quarter eagles.

- L. LOYD EDMONDS,
Secretary-Treasurer

WACO HEART O' TEXAS COIN CLUB - On Oct. 28th the 76th meeting was called to order by Vice President Luther Segrest. There were 21 present. Mr. Obemeyer conducted an auction of about 50 lots. Dr. C. F. Miller displayed an assortment of large size Federal Reserve Notes from all 12 districts. Several were complete from one dollar to fifty dollar denominations. G. L. Prickette displayed six "widow's mites."

- L. LOYD EDMONDS,
Secretary-Treasurer

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COIN CLUB - The 243rd meeting was held at the New Rochelle YMCA Oct. 19. Pres. Barcus presided with 23 present.

Mr. Hessberg reported plans for the Regional Convention in the Spring of

1955 were being made. Henry L. Shank, Walter G. Judson and Justin J. Naviski were elected to membership.

Messrs. Marsden, Mahony and Pearson were designated as a nominating committee.

The balance of the evening was devoted to our annual fall auction. Ken Marsden acted as auctioneer and was assisted by Ed Hessberg and Bill Pearson. There was very spirited bidding for the exceptionally fine collection of coins offered for sale. Proof coins, commemorative half dollars, and many rare coins were sold.

- JEROME H. BRILL,
Secretary

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB - The 404th meeting held October 13 with Russell L. Poxon presiding and 38 attending. Joseph R. Posavad was elected to membership.

A. J. Croshier talked on crowns of the world. He displayed 40 crowns arranged as a wheel with a U. S. peace dollar as a hub to denote that the rest of the world looks to U. S. to show them the way to lasting peace.

Exhibits:

Joseph Simko: Set of Canadian large cents in a holder lacking 1892.

Matt Gazso: Current \$1 bill autographed by Geo. Humphrey.

Mrs. Hallock: W. R. N. C. booklet issued in 1941.

K. C. Ebry: 47 gold coins of the world with weight and fineness of each. We wish to choose this fine display as the best exhibit of the month.

Fred Hahlen: Isabella quarter; Columbus medal and Columbian one-half dollar, 1893; a group of rolled cents from 1936 Cleveland Exposition; "100 Dixie Buck" from Carolina.

Dr. Sargis: Two denarii, Nerva and Sestertius; crowns of Cromwell, Petrus of Poland, Peace of Westphalia and Gregory XVI; also a mortuary of Augustus, chosen as best examples of art, history and beauty.

Joseph Lukas: Small crowns of Lithuania, one from the King Farouk collection.

E. G. Bell: Early American dollars, 1795-1803 and early Scott Co. catalogs.

Judge Sawicki: 14 pattern coins, 1922-1933 from the Republic of Poland; plaque awarded for first place in foreign coins at the A.N.A. Convention.

Ed Windau: Eight coins he liked the best of many he brought back from Europe including Pine Tree shillings large and small and a 1755 Mexican Pillar dollar.

Michael Kolman, Jr.: New discovery, a crude type Pine Tree shilling with a hole, very poor but very rare, only two known to exist.

- CLYDE J. DREWING,
Secretary

WORCESTER COUNTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY - The meeting was called to order Oct 1 by the President, Miss Eloise Cloues.

Mrs. Shepard Pond, of the Board of Governors of A.N.A., gave a few highlights of the National Convention, from a woman's standpoint.

Three new members were voted into the club: Alex. Gaba and Edward C. Rochette of Worcester, and William Scott of Templeton, Mass.

Our hostess for the social hour and refreshments following an 80-lot auction was Mrs. Samuel T. Gow.

- FLORA H. BRYANT,
Secretary

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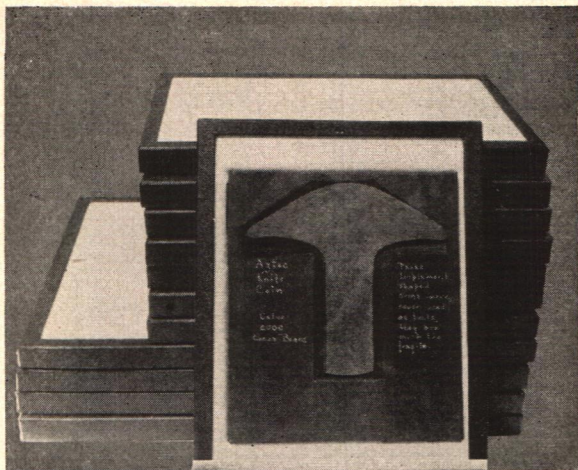
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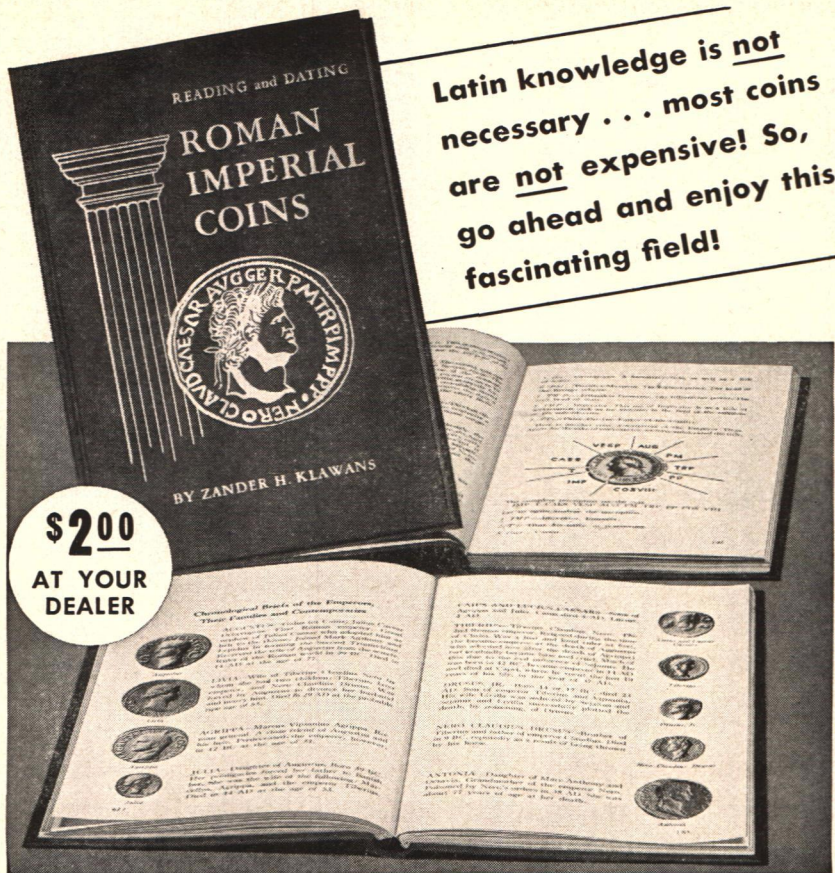
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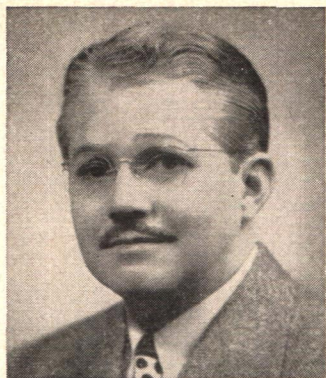
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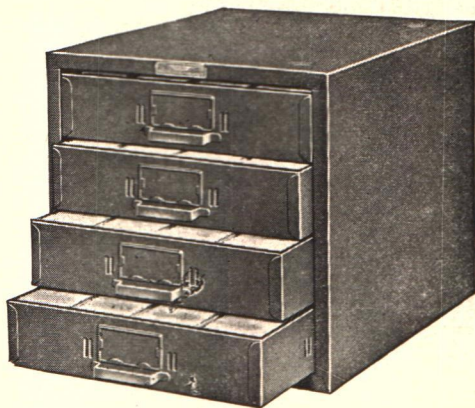
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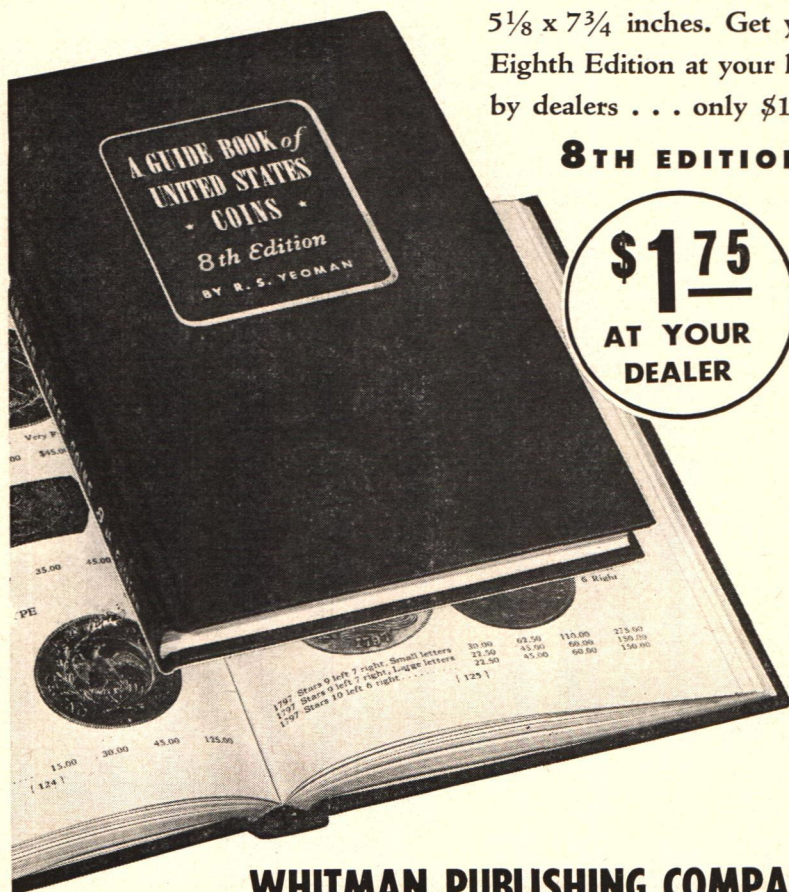
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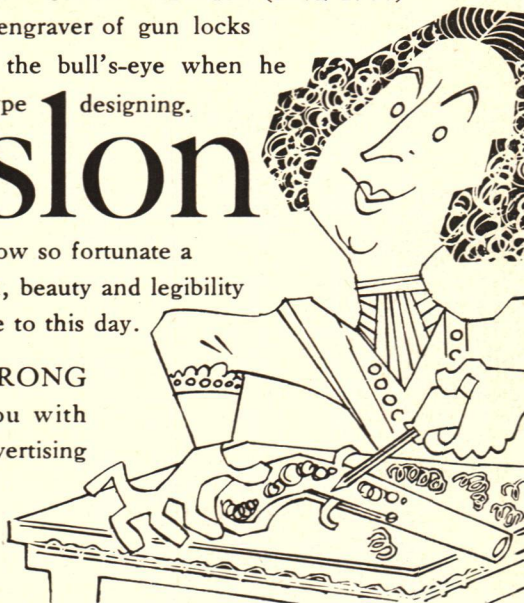
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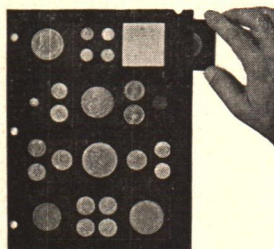
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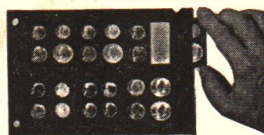
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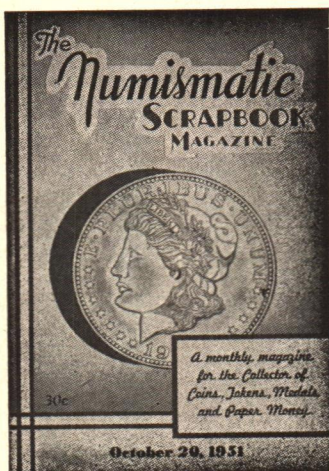
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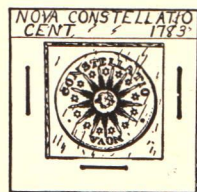
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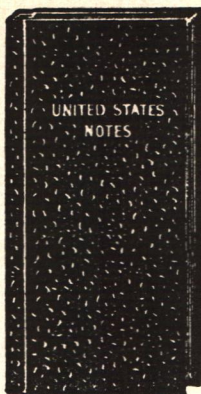
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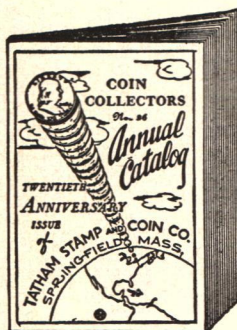
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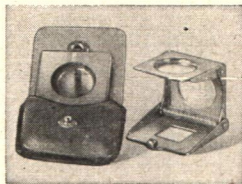
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